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Minister's Message

I am pleased to provide you with the 1989 edition of this directory of programs and services available to Saskatchewan urban and rural municipalities and other local government organizations.

This publication provides a summary of basic information on more than 130 grant and service programs for local government as announced in the Budget Speech in March, 1989. It is designed to be a quick reference source for municipal officials; however, I suggest you contact the department listed for more detailed information on programs of interest to you.

The information contained in this publication is **not** a complete inventory of all government programs, because it specifically excludes programs for individuals and special interest groups with no municipal connection.

If you have any suggestions on how we might improve this publication, I would appreciate receiving any suggestions you may have. I hope this directory will serve to guide you through the array of programs and help you find the ones that suit your needs.

Jack Klein
Minister of Urban Affairs

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Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food

Rat Eradication Program Grant

Objective To assist Agriculture, Development and Diversification (ADD) District Boards with the co-ordination and administration of district rat eradication programs. This program will be terminated by August, 1995.

Eligibility This is a mandatory program for all urban and rural municipalities and is scheduled to begin in August, 1989. The Add Board will appoint a Pest Control Committee to administer the district eradication program. The committee will collect a specified levy from all municipalities in the district, and in return will be eligible for a fixed grant. ADD Boards will be required to ensure that Pest Control Committees operate according to regulations outlined in a "Rat Eradication Policy".

Assistance Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food will pay ADD boards a grant based on the number of census (1986) farms, townships and urban population within each ADD district. The Rat Eradication Policy provides all details for the operation of committees, municipal levies and grants available.

Contact Provincial Manager, Rat Eradication Program
Soils and Crops Branch
Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food
#133 - 3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

or Regional Pest Control Co-ordinator

Buy Saskatchewan Agency

Buy Saskatchewan Program

Objective To work with public and private sector purchasers and project developers to maximize Saskatchewan content in purchases made within the province.

Eligibility Any Saskatchewan firm currently supplying or manufacturing goods and services, or out-of-province firms wishing to establish offices in Saskatchewan.

Assistance The Buy Saskatchewan Agency does not provide direct financial assistance. The agency's consultants negotiate with major project developers and other purchasers to identify and create opportunities for Saskatchewan suppliers of goods and services. Then management assistance is provided to promote diversification by helping Saskatchewan firms to position themselves to bid competitively and secure contracts.

Buy Saskatchewan also identifies existing demand for goods and services that are not currently available from Saskatchewan firms. The agency helps Saskatchewan suppliers develop these product lines by providing them with information and introducing them to the purchasers.

Contact

1. Buy Saskatchewan Agency
   Mezzanine Level
   1919 Saskatchewan Drive
   REGINA, S4P 3V7
   Phone: 787-2206 **Fax:** 787-9397
2. Buy Saskatchewan Agency
   Anaheim Square
   231-4th Ave. S.
   SASKATOON, S7K 1N1
   Phone: 933-5754 **Fax:** 933-7688

Saskatchewan Consumer and Commercial Affairs

Regional offices

1871 Smith St.
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-5550

122 - 3rd Avenue N.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-5725

Consumer/Commercial Education, Extension and Information Programs

Objective To provide opportunities for skill development on consumer topics and customer relations; provide resources on topics related to the department's mandate, and up-to-date reliable consumer information on products and services exchanged in the Saskatchewan marketplace.

Eligibility The public, both consumers and businesses.

Community, professional and special needs groups.

City and regional libraries.

Assistance Self-help learning packages are available on Buying Food, Advertising, Money Management/ Budgeting, The Marketplace (Buying, Selling, The Future). Information kits available are: **Money: Introduction to Financial Planning and Investment, Life Insurance Basics, Consumer Law** and **The Senior Consumer: Protect Yourself.** Brochures, posters and factsheets (Buylines series) are available on a wide variety of topics. Quantity materials are available to municipal offices.

The Branch provides workshops and seminars to professionals, group leaders and business leaders on a variety of marketplace issues.

Through the **Facilitators Program,** the department has speakers available in a number of communities. These facilitators are volunteer professionals who have been trained to provide workshops and seminars to the public (both consumers and the business sector) on the following topics: food buying, advertising, money management, consumer law and life insurance. These programs are available in and around Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, North Battleford, Swift Current, Weyburn and Estevan.

The department's Consumer Information Centre has a collection of books, magazines and audio-visual aids (films, teaching kits and videocassettes) available on loan. A pre-buying information service, consisting of product guides and results of product tests, has been made available to all city and regional libraries in the province. For information on products/services sold in the marketplace, contact the Consumer Information Centre at 787-5557 or visit your local library.

Contact Education and Communications Branch, Regina and Saskatoon.

Licensing Services and Investigation of Complaints

Objective To provide consumer protection and ensure that basic standards of conduct in the marketplace are upheld.

Eligibility The general public, vendors and their salespeople, certain industries and their salespeople.

Assistance Upon written request, complaints about companies licensed by the department, consumer products/services and other marketplace problems are received, investigated and mediated.

The following vendors/companies/salespeople operating in municipalities must be licensed by the department: motor dealers, auctioneers, collection agents, direct sellers, sellers of training courses, credit reporting agencies, pyramid franchise operators, owners of commercial cemeteries, mortgage brokers and adjusters. Laws governing insurance, real estate and loan, trust and finance companies are also administered.

Contact Licensing and Investigation Branch
Licensing - Regina only
Complaint handling - Regina, Saskatoon.

Saskatchewan Economic Development & Tourism

Business Resource Centres

The Department of Economic Development and Tourism has 12 Business Resource Centres located throughout the province. These conveniently located, storefront centres provide a local contact point with the government for the business community.

People planning to start a business, expand a business, or require information or assistance of any business nature can receive assistance from these centres.

Business people can find the latest business manuals and guides along with management aids, marketing and statistical data, new product opportunities, inventory control techniques, financial reporting methods, sources of financing and more. Experienced business consultants are on hand to help you locate and interpret information and relate it to your specific needs.

Each of the 12 Business Resource Centres also has an assigned Co-operative Specialist responsible for the provision of managerial, legislative, financial and technical assistance, as well as training workshops and seminars, to emerging and existing co-operatives.

Provincial Office Bldg.
Box 249
BUFFALO NARROWS, Sask.
S0M 0J0
Phone: 235-4441

Provincial Office Bldg.
Box 28
CREIGHTON, Sask.
S0P 0A0
Phone: 688-3403

1322 -3rd Street
ESTEVAN, Sask.
S4A 0S2
Phone: 634-0795

Mistasinihk Place
Box 5000
LA RONGE, Sask.
S0J 1L0
Phone: 425-4261

207-3rd Street East
MEADOW LAKE, Sask.
SOM 1V0
Phone: 236-4417

#102-111 Fairford St. E.
MOOSE JAW, Sask.
S6H 7X5
Phone: 694-3623

1281-100th St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask.
S9A 0V6
Phone: 446-7444

800 Central Avenue
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.
S6V 6G1
Phone: 953-2275

Main Flr, 1870 Albert St
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2207

311-21st St. E.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-5750

367 Central Avenue N.
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 0L5
Phone: 778-8415

#7 - 1st Avenue N.
YORKTON, Sask.
S3N 1J3
Phone: 786-1415

Community Development Co-operatives

Objective To encourage and promote local economic and social development in communities through the formation of Community Development Co-operatives.

Eligibility Any group of individuals or a municipality.

Service To facilitate the organization and incorporation of viable Small Business Loans Association Co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operative Business Consultants.

Continuing Housing Co-operatives

Objective To enable Saskatchewan residents to jointly own, manage and reside in comfortable and economical housing units, while having security of tenure, privacy of their own housing units, and a supportive community environment.

Eligibility Individuals or groups whose housing needs can be satisfied through this option.

Service Facilitate the organization and operation of viable Continuing Housing Co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operative Business Consultants.

Farmers' Market Co-operatives

Objective To encourage the production and manufacturing of Saskatchewan products in communities through the development of farmers' market co-operatives.

Eligibility Any group of individuals.

Service Provincial funding is available to farmers' market co-operatives for the development of new markets. The Saskatchewan Farmers' Market Association oversees the general operations of farmers' markets in the province.

The Co-operatives Branch will facilitate the organization and incorporation of viable Farmers' Market Co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operative Business Consultants.

Rural Development Co-operatives

Objective To encourage municipalities to form regional-based rural development co-operatives/corporations, to promote and expand economic and social growth within local areas. This program is undertaken in conjunction with Saskatchewan Rural Development.

Eligibility Rural and urban municipalities.

Service Provincial funding is available to groups of municipalities who formally enter into an agreement that provides a five year base of support to the new co-operative/corporation, jointly funded by the member municipalities and the province.

The Co-operatives Branch will facilitate the organization and incorporation of viable Rural Development Co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operative Business Consultants.

Small Business Loans Association Co-operatives

Objective To assist SEDCO in encouraging individuals or businesses in Saskatchewan to form Small Business Loans Association Co-operatives for the purpose of accessing the Loan Guarantee Program and the Enterprise Program.

Eligibility Four or more individuals, partnerships or corporations who form a for-profit co-operative.

Service Financial assistance is available through SEDCO to enable the Small Business Loans Associations to raise investment capital to establish new businesses under the Loan Guarantee program. The Enterprise program provides business development opportunities to the non-traditional entrepreneur by enabling Small Business Loans Associations to make loans to smaller businesses.

The Co-operatives Branch will facilitate the organization and incorporation of viable Small Business Loans Association Co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operative Business Consultants.

Worker Co-operatives

Objective To create and maintain jobs in communities through employee-managed and operated co-operative businesses, providing members with a source of income.

Eligibility Any group of individuals.

Service The development of worker co-operatives can be initiated through the start-up of new businesses, employee buy-outs of existing businesses, or business "rescues".

To facilitate the organization and incorporation of viable worker co-operatives.

Contact District Co-operatives Business Consultants.

Community Tourism Assistance Program

Objective To provide assistance in helping communities identify, develop and market their tourism assets.

Eligibility Eligible applicants are individual non-profit corporations which:

-are endorsed by resolutions or bylaws of municipal councils as the sole representatives of tourism interests in their communities.

-undertake tourism planning.

-co-ordinate assistance requests for marketing activities and development projects on behalf of their communities.

Examples of eligible non-profit corporations are chambers of commerce; recreational, cultural and service organizations; visitor and convention bureaus; economic development committees; and newly-created tourism organizations. Civic government departments are not eligible.

Eligible projects and activities must fit within the community's overall tourism plan and the province's tourism strategy. Projects are evaluated on their ability to attract, hold and satisfy visitors from outside an 80 km. range. The program encourages developments related to: Wilderness/Adventureland; Aspen Parklands/Resorts; Agritourism Attractions and Events; History (pre-1900's); and Locational Advantages (transportation and services).

Assistance For annual marketing activities, up to 66.7 per cent of the total eligible costs is available, to a maximum of $24,000 per year over a four-year period.

For development projects, up to 75 per cent of eligible capital costs is available to a maximum of $75,000 over a four-year period. Communities with populations of more than 20,000 will be eligible for 60 per cent of eligible capital costs to a maximum of $75,000 over a four-year period. Using other federal or provincial assistance to make up the local equity is not allowed.

Contact Sask. Economic Development and Tourism
Community Tourism Assistance Program
6th Flr, 1919 Saskatchewan Dr.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2313/2219 1-800-667-7541 (Toll-free in Saskatchewan)

Labour-Sponsored Venture Capital Program

Objective To stimulate the growth of the Province's small business sector and the creation, protection and maintenance of jobs in Saskatchewan by providing provincial tax incentives to employees who are willing to invest in Saskatchewan small and medium-sized businesses.

To encourage workers to invest in their employer's business.

Eligibility **Eligible Investors:**

Two types of Labour-Sponsored Venture Capital Corporations exist;

- Type "A" LSVCCs are multi-project corporations that may issue equity shares to any Saskatchewan employee. An employee who is an eligible investor for a Type "A" LSVCC may pay for his/her investment by way of payroll deduction.
- Type "B" LSVCCs must invest primarily in equity shares of businesses in which their shareholders are employed (or employed by associated corporations). Individuals must be resident and employed in Saskatchewan by the small or medium-sized business receiving the equity capital.

Both types of LSVCCs are restricted to a maximum capitalization of $5 million.

Eligible Businesses:

In order to be eligible for LSVCC investment, a business must meet the following criteria:

- no more than 300 employees
- pay at least 25 per cent of its wages and salaries to employees of its permanent establishment in Saskatchewan.

Assistance Eligible investors will receive a provincial tax credit equal to 20 per cent of their investment in a LSVCC. Eligible investors will also receive a federal tax credit equal to 20 per cent of their investment in a LSVCC. An eligible investor is restricted to an annual maximum limit of $1,400 of tax credits ($700 provincial and $700 federal).

Contact For information on Type "A" LSVCCs only:

Saskatchewan Human Resources, Labour and Employment
4th Flr, 1870 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2410

For information on Type "B" LSVCCs only:

Saskatchewan Economic Development and Tourism
Small Business Investment Programs
6th Flr, 1919 Saskatchewan Dr.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2252, 1-800-667-7530 (Toll-free in Saskatchewan).

Small Business Investment Incentives Program

Objective To stimulate the growth of the Province's small business sector by providing provincial incentives to eligible investors who are willing to invest in new or expanding Saskatchewan small businesses.

Assistance At the time of preparation of this publication, the proposed **The Small Business Investment Incentives Act** has yet to receive legislative approval. The proposed act will be based on **The Venture Capital Tax Credit Act** with the following notable exceptions:

- besides the multiple investment route, the new Act will allow direct investment into a class of shares of the eligible small business.
- the 49 per cent limit under the VCTCA has been removed with the ownership percentage to be determined by market conditions and negotiation.
- the tax credit has been replaced by a cash grant to the investor.

Contact Once legislative approval of the Act and regulations has been received, complete details can be obtained from:

Saskatchewan Economic Development and Tourism
Small Business Investment Programs
6th Flr, 1919 Saskatchewan Dr.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2252; 1-800-667-7530 (Toll-free in Saskatchewan)

Venture Capital Program

Objective To stimulate the growth of the Province's small business sector by providing provincial tax incentives to both individuals and corporations willing to invest in new or expanding Saskatchewan small businesses primarily engaged in the following:

- manufacturing and processing,
- research and development,
- tourism,
- prescribed agricultural and livestock production activities.

Eligibility **Eligible Investors:**

As of spring, 1989, the Venture Capital program no longer is registering Venture Capital Corporations (VCCs). New equity capital is being raised under either **The Labour-sponsored Venture Capital Corporations Act** or **The Small Business Investment Incentives Act.** While registrations are no longer being taken under the program, those VCCs already registered must remain active under the rules of the program.

Eligible Small Businesses:

In order to be eligible for VCC investment, a small business must meet the following criteria:

- be Canadian-controlled,
- have no more than 75 employees at the time of VCC investment,
- pay at least 75 per cent of its wages and salaries in respect to its Saskatchewan operations,
- operate at arm's length from the investing VCC,
- be primarily engaged in manufacturing and processing, tourism, research and development, or prescribed agricultural and livestock activities.

VCCs restricted by their articles of Incorporations to investment in communities of less than 20,000 may include retail or service business activities.

A VCC or group of VCCs is limited to purchasing up to 49 per cent of the voting shares of an eligible small business.

Assistance Eligible investors receive a tax credit equal to 30 per cent of their investment in a VCC. This tax credit can be applied in the current year, or the unused portion can be carried forward for up to seven years. Certain eligible investors (such as Saskatchewan pension funds) who are exempt from paying income tax, may receive a cash grant equal to 30 per cent of their VCC investment.

Contact Saskatchewan Economic Development and Tourism
Small Business Investment Programs
6th Flr, 1919 Saskatchewan Dr.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2252, 1-800-667-7530 (Toll-free in Saskatchewan)

Saskatchewan Education

Regional Offices

Regional Directors of Education are located in seven regional offices throughout the province.

REGION 1
P.O. Box 2003,
WEYBURN, Sask.
S4H 2Z9
Phone: 848-2431

REGION 2
350 Cheadle St.,
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 4G3
Phone: 778-8247

REGION 3
4th flr, 1855 Victoria Ave.
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V5
Phone: 787-6075

REGION 4
3130-8th St. E.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7H 2H6
Phone: 933-5028

REGION 5
105 Crawford E.
MELFORT, Sask.
S0E 1A0
Phone: 752-5757

REGION 6
1192-102nd St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask.
S9A 1E8
Phone: 446-7435

NORTHERN EDUCATION OFFICE
Box 5000
LA RONGE, Sask.
S0J 1L0
Phone: 425-4380

Capital Grants to School Boards

Objective To provide financial assistance to school boards for construction of school facilities.

Eligibility Boards of Education.

Assistance The grant will range from 15 to 30 per cent of the cost of each project - the percentage of grant varies inversely with the wealth of the school board, as expressed by the relationship between that board's foundation grant and its total recognized expenditure. Grants are normally payable when projects have been completed.

The province provides full recognition of the costs of capital debt retirement. This means that an average of 90 per cent of the cost of capital projects is borne by the province.

Contact Director, Facilities Planning
Saskatchewan Education
2220 College Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V7

Education Development Fund

Objective To provide additional fiscal resources to boards to meet the needs in the following areas:

- Learning resources
- Efficiency
- Educational Improvement.

Eligibility Boards of Education

Assistance The total amount available to school divisions in 1989 is $13.75 million.

Contact Associate Deputy Minister
Regional Service and Field Support
Saskatchewan Education
2220 College
REGINA, S4P 3V7
or appropriate Regional Director of Education

Grants to Private High Schools

Objective To provide financial assistance for the operation of private high schools in the province.

Eligibility Private high schools.

Assistance Grant support is based on a percentage of average per pupil grant received by publicly-supported school divisions. To qualify for funding, private schools must meet specific criteria.

Contact Director, School Grants Administration
Saskatchewan Education
2220 College Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V7

Operating Grants to School Boards

Objective To provide greater equality in educational opportunities and in local property taxation throughout the province and to provide boards with autonomy in setting educational and financial priorities.

Eligibility Boards of Education

Assistance The Finance and Operations Division of Saskatchewan Education determines the details and requirements of the grant formula, and then informs individual boards of the amount of grant they will receive.

The grant is paid out as follows:
- one, two or three-twelfths by the end of April
- a total of five-twelfths by the end of May
- one twelfth at the end of each month commencing in June and ending in December.

Contact Director, School Grants
Saskatchewan Education
2220 College Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V7

Recognized Incremental Rates Bilingual and French Language Programming

Objective To promote bilingualism in education by providing funds for:

a) French-designated programs (50 to 80 per cent)

b) Second languages.

Eligibility School divisions offering a French-designated program and/or second languages.

Assistance

Percent of time instruction given in second language	Recognized rate per full-time equivalent pupil
0 - 24	$260
25 - 49	$323
50 - 74	$422
75 +	$501

Contact Executive Director
Official Minority Language Office
Saskatchewan Education
1855 Victoria Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V5

School Construction for Indians

Objective To make available to treaty Indians the same quality education as is available to all other Saskatchewan citizens. This includes the provision of physical facilities when the program requires them.

Eligibility School boards and Indian bands.

Assistance This is a federal assistance program. Through consultation with Saskatchewan Education, Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and the concerned Indian bands, an agreement is reached to proceed with integration. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada then negotiates the financial arrangements with the local school authority.

Contact
1. Finance and Operations Division
   Saskatchewan Education
   2220 College Ave.
   REGINA, S4P 3V7
2. Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
   4211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 3R6

Regional Libraries

CHINOOK REGIONAL LIBRARY
1240 Chaplin St. W.,
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 0G8
Phone: 773-3186

LAKELAND LIBRARY REGION
P.O. Box 813,
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask.
S9A 2Z3
Phone: 446-6108

PALLISER REGIONAL LIBRARY
P.O. Box 2500,
MOOSE JAW, Sask.
S6H 6Y2
Phone: 693-3669

PARKLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY
95 A Broadway Ave. W.
YORKTON, Sask.
S3N 0L9
Phone: 783-7022

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL LIBRARY
P.O. Box 550
WEYBURN, Sask.
S4H 2K7
Phone: 842-3432

WAPITI REGIONAL LIBRARY
145 - 12th St. E.
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.
S6V 1B7
Phone: 764-0712

WHEATLAND REGIONAL LIBRARY
806 Duchess St.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 0R3
Phone: 652-5077

Grants to Municipal Libraries in Cities

Objective To assist city public libraries to provide service within their borders.

Eligibility Public libraries in cities not participating in regional libraries.

Assistance A base grant, equal to the grant paid for the previous year, to which is added any new monies granted by the legislature according to a formula based on:

- population density,
- local financial support levels,
- service accessibility.

Contact Provincial Librarian
Saskatchewan Provincial Library
Saskatchewan Education
1352 Winnipeg St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2972

Grants to Municipal and Community Libraries in Northern Saskatchewan

Objective To assist northern communities in the provision of library services.

Eligibility Municipalities and community organizations within the Northern Administration District.

Assistance A dollar-for-dollar matching of expenditures on books, library supplies, and salaries for the previous calendar year, to a maximum of $15,000.

Contact Provincial Librarian
Saskatchewan Provincial Library
Saskatchewan Education
1352 Winnipeg St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2972

Grants to Regional Libraries

Objective To assist regional libraries to provide services to urban and rural municipalities in Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Regional library systems.

Assistance A base grant, equal to the grant paid for the previous year, to which is added any new monies granted by the legislature according to a formula based on:

- population density,
- local financial support levels,
- service accessibility.

Contact Provincial Librarian
Saskatchewan Provincial Library
Saskatchewan Education
1352 Winnipeg St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2972

Information Service

Objective To provide access to information to assist in planning and administering municipal services.

To assist municipalities in library development.

Eligibility Participating municipalities and individuals in the one-province library system and residents of the Northern Administration District.

Assistance Provides information on municipal government and services.

Provides access to completed studies prepared by federal, provincial and municipal governments.

Provides assistance to plan library facilities and programs.

Contact 1. Local public library (municipal libraries or regional library branches and bookmobile stops).

2. Reference and Research Services
Saskatchewan Provincial Library
Saskatchewan Education
1352 Winnipeg St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2984

Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety

Agricultural Chemical Collection Program

Objective To provide opportunity for the removal and disposal of unwanted, deteriorated, de-licensed agricultural chemicals, stored at residences, farms, and government storage facilities across the province.

Eligibility Public, municipalities and other provincial government agencies.

Assistance The department will collect and safely dispose of agricultural chemicals and will also provide farm chemical safety related information to any potential clients.

Contact Air and Land Protection Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6186

Emergency Technical Assistance

Objective To provide emergency troubleshooting and technical assistance to municipalities that are experiencing problems with drinking water treatment/distribution or sewage collection/treatment.

Eligibility All municipalities with water or sewage works.

Assistance The department will provide emergency on-site trouble-shooting and technical operating advice.

Contact Water Quality Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6176

Environmental Advisory Service

Objective To ensure that all prospective developers are aware of Saskatchewan's environmental protection policies, laws and regulatory requirements.

Eligibility All persons contemplating new or expanded development activities which could: utilize or affect provincial resources suitable for other uses; release waste products into the environment; affect air, water or land quality; or generate public concern about possible environmental impacts.

Assistance The department provides information and guidance regarding how developers can best deal with environmental issues, regulations and approval procedures that might pertain to new development activities in the province.

Contact Environmental Assessment Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6171

Hazardous Substance Storage Facilities Management Program

Objective To minimize environmental and public safety hazards through the implementation of various preventative measures such as registration, ministerial approval of new and upgraded facilities and the preparation of emergency response contingency plans of hazardous substances storage sites across the province.

Eligibility Public, industry, municipalities and other government agencies.

Assistance The department will compile data collected through a site registration process. This information may be distributed to municipal agencies. The department will also provide technical assistance to municipalities to establish their own storage facilities management program upon request.

Contact Air and Land Protection Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6193

Municipal Analysis Program

Objective To assist municipalities in the cost of analyzing drinking water, sewage effluent, and receiving water quality.

Eligibility Municipalities with monitoring requirements specified by the department for the municipality's water and sewage works.

Assistance The department will pay for most of the cost of analyzing samples required by the department at the provincial laboratories. Special yellow tags to be attached to the sample containers are available from the department.

Contact Water Quality Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6176

Municipal Water and Wastewater Facility Operator Training Program

Objective To provide the opportunity for facility operators to maintain or improve knowledge and skills to produce a consistently good quality drinking water and treated wastewater.

Eligibility Staff operating and controlling water and wastewater facilities in municipalities, government and certain industrial establishments.

Assistance The department facilitates workshops, seminars, courses, correspondence courses and on-site training in various locations. The department administers the "Municipal Facility Classification and Voluntary Operator Certification Program".

Contact Operator Training Co-ordinator
Water Quality Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6174

Pesticide Container Disposal Program

Objective To provide the opportunity for collection and disposal of pesticide containers.

Eligibility Rural and urban municipalities

Assistance The department will collect and safely dispose of pesticide containers and residue in the containers from sites that have been designated by municipalities, The department will provide guidelines on appropriate site design to any municipality on request. Collection operations take place during the summer months

Contact Air and Land Protection Branch
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-6487

Spill Report Centre

Objective To safeguard the physical and living environment in the event of a spill of a hazardous material by requiring prompt reporting and clean-up of spills.

Eligibility Public, industry, and other government agencies.

Assistance The program has a Spill Response Team accessible 24 hours a day using a toll-free number. Staff will confirm the adequacy of actions taken to contain and clean up a spill and will give additional instructions as required, will act as a liaison with other government organizations and will make on-site inspections as required.

Contact Spill Report Centre
Saskatchewan Environment and Public Safety
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-8000, 1-800-665-7525 (Toll-free in Saskatchewan)

Saskatchewan Finance

Provincial Disaster Assistance Program

Objective To provide financial assistance to eligible claimants located in an area that has been declared a disaster as a result of damage to property caused by a natural disaster.

Eligibility Municipalities, school boards, hospital boards, small businesses, farmers, homeowners, charitable organizations and certain non-profit organizations.

Assistance There is no maximum level of assistance for damage to local government authority property, however, there is a deductible of:

1. the equivalent of a five-mill levy on that municipality's last revised taxable assessment;or

2. $1,000,000.

whichever is less.

A claim by a local government authority is subject to a further deduction of 50 per cent of the amount that is between 5 and 12 mills based on its last revised taxable assessment. Amounts exceeding 12 mills are covered 100 per cent.

All other claims are subject to a maximum benefit of $5,000 and are subject to the following deductibles:

1. $50, if damages are confined to one building structure, machine or piece of equipment.

2. $100, if damages apply to two or more buildings, structures, machines or pieces of equipment.

3. $1,000, if the eligible claimant is a small business; and

4. $300, plus 30 per cent of the claim in excess of $300, for a farm claim that pertains to soil erosion.

Contact Saskatchewan Finance
Revenue Division
2350 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 4A6

Saskatchewan Municipal Employees' Superannuation Plan

Objective To provide a pension plan to full-time employees of cities, towns, villages, hamlets, school boards, community colleges, rural municipalities, regional libraries and various associations.

Eligibility "Employer" as defined by **The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Act** or as designated by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Assistance The Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission administers the pension plan including providing employee counselling, maintaining pension records, investing the pension fund, and paying pensions to retirees.

Contact Municipal Employees' Superannuation Commission
Suite 400A, 2350 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 4A6

Saskatchewan Health

Regional offices

SWIFT CURRENT REGION
27-350 Cheadle St. W.
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 4G3
Phone: 778-8422

REGINA RURAL REGION
4211 Albert St.
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-3169

YORKTON-MELVILLE REGION
72 Smith St. E.
YORKTON, Sask.
S3N 2Y4
Phone: 786-1600

NORTH BATTLEFORD REGION
Rm 204, Provincial Bldg.
1146-102nd St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask.
S9A 1E9
Phone: 446-7525

MOOSE JAW-GRAVELBOURG REGION
107-110 Ominica St. W.
MOOSE JAW, Sask.
S6H 6V2
Phone: 694-3670

ROSETOWN-BIGGAR-KINDERSLEY
P.O. Box 1300
2nd Floor, Prov. Office Bldg.
ROSETOWN, Sask. S0L 2V0
Phone: 882-2633

MELFORT-TISDALE REGION
Provincial Bldg.
P.O. Box 6500
MELFORT, SASK. S0E 1A0
Phone: 752-5711

WEYBURN ESTEVAN REGION
110 Souris Ave.
WEYBURN, Sask.
S4H 2Z9
Phone: 848-2318

SASKATOON RURAL REGION
122-3rd Avenue N.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-5668

PRINCE ALBERT REGION
McIntosh Mall
P.O. Box 3003
PRINCE ALBERT, SASK.
S6V 6G1

Phone: 953-3270

Ambulance Services Program

Objective To support a good basic road ambulance service throughout the Province of Saskatchewan.

To provide local control of the road ambulance service.

To stabilize the ambulance industry.

Eligibility Any ambulance district board established by written agreement between participating municipalities, which has commenced an approved ambulance service for the benefit of the residents in the district. Service can be provided by contract with a private operator, hospital or community organization or by the district board itself.

Assistance Funding is provided on an activity based formula and must be utilized solely for the purpose of providing ambulance services. Grants are advanced directly to ambulance boards on a quarterly basis.

Contact Ambulance Services
Hospital Services Branch
Saskatchewan Health
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6

Community Health Services and Assistance to City Health Departments

Objective To raise and/or maintain the health status of Saskatchewan residents through protection and promotion activities, by working toward the following goals.

1. to increase public awareness and understanding of the factors influencing health and to foster the adoption of lifestyles that promote optimum well-being;

2. to maintain a healthy environment by identifying actual and potential environment health hazards and applying effective control methods;

3. to prevent, reduce or modify the course of various communicable and non-communicable diseases;

4. to identify individuals who have, or are at risk of developing, specific health or developmental problems in order to initiate early intervention and remediation;

5. to assist in the maintenance of, and restoration to, a maximum level of independent functioning for the physically handicapped and the chronically disabled;

6. to monitor health-related regulations to ensure

maximum health protection and services to residents.

Assistance 1. Cities of Regina and Saskatoon

The Community Health Services Branch of Saskatchewan Health provides financial assistance in the form of per capita grants to the cities of Regina and Saskatoon. Each of these two cities is responsible for the administration and delivery of public health programs and the enforcement of health-related provincial regulations.

2. Community-based Health Services

Community-based health programs are funded and delivered throughout the province by Saskatchewan Health. Each municipality contributes a $.50 per capita municipal health tax which is levied annually in support of the following health programs carried out in each region.

- communicable disease control
- health education
- maternal and child health
- nutrition
- rehabilitation and follow-up
- public health inspection
- speech therapy
- early childhood psychology
- chiropody (footcare) services

3. Saskatchewan Aids to Independent Living (SAIL)

- assessment, provision of equipment and appliances and follow-up for persons with handicaps

4. Saskatchewan Hearing Aid Plan (SHAP)

- services provided at no direct cost to the individual, *except* hearing aids, accessories and repairs, which are provided at reduced cost.

Contact Executive Director
Community Health Services Branch
T.C. Douglas Bldg.
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6
or Medical Health Officer and Regional Director.

Grants to Hospitals under The Hospital Revenue Act

Objective To distribute to eligible hospitals the amounts collected under the provisions of **The Hospital Revenue Act** from those municipalities that do not contribute to the support of hospitals, but whose residents use the facilities of the hospitals.

Eligibility Certain public general hospitals.

Assistance The procedure followed is:

1. Saskatchewan Health computes the liability of each municipality subject to the hospital revenue tax. This amount is requisitioned by Saskatchewan Finance.

2. The municipalities levy, collect and pay the taxes to Saskatchewan Finance.

3. Saskatchewan Health determines the amount of payment to eligible hospitals. These payments are related to hospital utilization.

4. Payments are in the form of grants to hospitals on or before March 31 of the year following the collection of the tax.

Contact 1. Saskatchewan Health
Hospitals Services Branch
T.C. Douglas Bldg.
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6

or

2. Saskatchewan Finance
2350 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 2V7

Health Insurance Registration

Objective To register permanent residents for benefits under any of the Provincial Health Plans and provide the residents with health services identification cards.

Eligibility Permanent residents of Saskatchewan.

Assistance Applications are accepted for health insurance and health services card change information. Department staff can provide information with respect to benefits available and procedure for submitting claims to the appropriate health plan.

Contact Health Insurance Registration
Information Systems Branch
Saskatchewan Health
T.C. Douglas Bldg.
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6
or any regional office.

Home Care Program

Objective To preserve and maximize an individual's ability to remain independent at home by offering services that provide needed care and support. The program is intended to foster the wildest possible use of available individual, family and community resources.

Eligibility Any Saskatchewan resident who holds a valid Saskatchewan Health Services Card, or has applied for a card. Admission to the program follows an assessment procedure, administered by the local home care program.

Local boards are responsible for collecting client fees for home care services in 45 districts across the province. Individual charges are based upon the client's income and the number of services delivered.

- there is no charge for nursing services,
- a unit of service is one hour of homemaking, home maintenance or one meal,
- everyone, regardless of income, pays $5 per unit for the first ten units received,
- charges for units after the first ten will depend on the client's income,
- no client will pay more than $300 per month. Clients receiving full subsidy will pay no more than $50 per month.

Assistance Each home care district will receive the following annual grants:

- block grant of $44,940,
- $10 per capita,
- $44.78 for each senior citizen in the district,
- $85.03 for each person in the district 75 years and over.

Districts that deliver high need and respite care are provided with special grants to assist them in providing care. The boards also receive income form client fees, and are encouraged to raise additional funds through community fund-raising projects.

Contact Director of Home Care Division
Continuing Care Branch
Saskatchewan Health
T.C. Douglas Bldg.
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6

Provincial Capital Contribution for Health Care Facilities

Objective To provide financial assistance for the planning and construction of health care facilities appropriate to accommodate identified programs and services.

Eligibility Sponsors of non-profit special care homes (municipalities, churches, charitable organizations, etc.); hospital governing boards; community health and social centre boards.

Assistance A. For approved special-care home projects, the province will provide:

1. assistance with the development and co-ordination of program and facilities planning and construction;
2. 85 per cent contribution towards approved new construction costs; and
3. 50 per cent contribution towards approved renovation costs.

B. For approved hospital projects the province will provide:

1. assistance with development and co-ordination of program and facilities planning and construction;
2. construction contributions in the amount of 70 per cent of approved capital budget for regional hospitals, 60 per cent for large community hospitals, and 50 per cent for small community hospitals. For base hospitals, the province assumes 100 per cent of the approved capital construction budget excluding furnishings and equipment. Projects under $10,000 are not ordinarily eligible for assistance except where it can be demonstrated that operating efficiencies and cost savings would result.

C. For approved community health and social centre projects, the province will provide a contribution equal to 60 per cent of the approved capital cost to a maximum of $27,000.

Contact Planning and Construction Branch
Saskatchewan Health
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6

Senior Citizens' Ambulance Assistance Program

Objective To provide financial assistance to senior citizens requiring ambulance transport.

Eligibility Any person 65 years or over who has received ambulance services where the cost for that service exceeds $150.

Assistance If ambulance charges in excess of $150 are incurred, the patient is billed a maximum of $150 and the operator providing the service will invoice Ambulance Services, Saskatchewan Health, for the balance.

Contact Ambulance Services
Hospital Services Branch
Saskatchewan Health
3475 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 6X6

Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation

Regional Offices

The department's District engineers are located at district offices throughout the province and can provide program information and applications.

350 Cheadle St. W.
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 4G3
Phone: 778-8322
Fax: 778-8346

3130 - 8th St. E.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-5205
Fax: 933-7979

2402 - 2nd Ave.
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-4969
Fax: 787-4910

365-36th St. W.
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.
S6V 6G1
Phone: 953-3500
Fax: 953-3541

41 Broadway W.
YORKTON, Sask.
S3N 3T9
Phone: 786-1625
Fax: 786-1667

1192 - 102nd St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, Sask.
S9A 1E9
Phone: 446-7750
Fax: 446-7748

Airport Assistance

Objective To provide financial assistance for the development, operation and maintenance of good quality municipally-owned airports.

Note: The Federal Department of Transport (Transport Canada) has an airport assistance policy and may assist communities with technical expertise and funding.

Eligibility In general, all municipalities with populations in excess of 300 and located more than 16 km (10 mi.) from an adequate airstrip. Both urban and rural municipalities may participate, individually or jointly.

Assistance To achieve a desired airport network, communities have been classified, with various levels of assistance available for each classification.

The department's assistance program stipulates that the runway lengths for primary and secondary airports be a minimum of 914 m (3000 ft.) of licensable length in accordance with Transport Canada regulations and specifications. The runway length for local airports must be a minimum of 610 m (2000 ft.). All airport runways must be at least 23 m (75 ft) wide.

The development and maintenance assistance levels for the various classifications are:

	Development		Maintenance	
Classification	Dept. Share	Maximum per site	Dept. Share	Maximum per year
Primary	65%	$75,000	100%	$3,700
Secondary	50%	45,000	100%	2,200
Local	100%	4,000	-	-

In addition, primary and secondary airports are eligible for 75 per cent assistance to a minimum of $25,000 for the installation of non-directional beacons.

Contact
1. District Engineers
2. Director of Operations Services
   Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
   1855 Victoria Ave.
   REGINA, S4P 3V5

Community Identification and Service Information Signs

Objective To provide and erect large, high-visibility advance name signs for communities that will provide motorists with information regarding the services and facilities available.

Eligibility Towns, villages and hamlets.

Assistance The 60 cm x 60 cm (24" x 24") service symbols mounted below the community identification sign are the only shared cost items. For any number of symbols, to a maximum of six, the cost to the community is $100. If more than six symbols are desired, the community is charged $25 for each additional symbol.

Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation erects the signs; the community is billed for its share of costs.

Contact
1. District Engineer
2. Director of Operations Services
   Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
   1855 Victoria Ave.
   REGINA, S4P 3V5

Gravel Location Assistance

Objective To provide financial assistance in locating and testing gravel sources for municipal governments.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation will assist with 50 per cent cost sharing of a search and testing of potential gravel sources with the municipality.

Contact
1. District Engineers
2. Surfacing Engineer
   Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
   1855 Victoria Ave.
   REGINA, S4P 3V5

Physical Distribution and Transportation Advisory Program

Objective This program offers physical distribution and transportation expertise to Saskatchewan concerns involved in shipping, carrying or receiving manufactured goods or bulk commodities, with a view towards minimizing transportation costs and improving service.

Eligibility Private corporations, crown corporations, government departments and Chambers of Commerce.

Assistance Information on and an evaluation of costs, services, customs, warehousing and changing technology will be delivered to clients through seminars, meetings, a Saskatchewan physical distribution directory and on a case study basis.

Contact Senior Physical Distribution Officer
Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
1855 Victoria Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V5

Rural Transportation Assistance Program

Objective To provide passenger and express bus services to communities in rural areas not served by other means of public transportation.

Eligibility Communities with a population of 200 or more are eligible to apply. The affected communities are required to form a local transit authority to administer the program.

Assistance The Government of Saskatchewan, through Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation, will underwrite the net operating cost which is the difference between expenditures and revenues.

Contact Co-ordinator of Programs
Operations Services
Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
1855 Victoria Ave.
REGINA, S4P 3V5

Urban Assistance Policy

Objective To assist urban municipalities with the planning, design and construction on provincial highway routes through urban areas to meet present and future traffic demands.

Eligibility Urban municipalities.

Assistance Applications are submitted to the District Engineer, Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation, who will also advise on complete program procedures.

The department should be informed of the municipality's proposal(s) prior to November 1st of each year preceding the expenditure.

Basic components of the programs are:

1. Road Construction

Costs directly related to design and construction are shared at 50 per cent for centres over 15,000 population and 75 per cent in smaller centres.

2. Bridges

The shareability level is based on a formula considering the length of the structure and the population of the urban municipality.

3. Studies

The department shares 75 per cent of the cost of comprehensive transportation studies and 50 per cent on other approved studies impacting on provincial highway routes within communities.

Contact
1. District Engineer
2. Director of Operations Services
   Saskatchewan Highways and Transportation
   1855 Victoria Ave.
   REGINA, S4P 3V5

Saskatchewan Housing Corporation

Regional offices

300-2500 Victoria Ave.
REGINA, Sask.
S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-4177
Toll-free: 1-800-667-7567

122-3rd Avenue N.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6292

10th Flr, 800 Central Ave.
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.
S6V 6G4
Phone: 953-2540
Toll-free: 1-800-667-9656

Enriched Housing Program

Objective To provide senior citizens with self-contained accommodation and with selected support services organized and provided by the community. Additional services such as Home Care and Meals on Wheels may be arranged through various governmental agencies. Projects of sufficient size will have a common room for communal recreation or support services.

To allow residents to maintain their independence and links with their community while providing security and peace of mind.

Eligibility Municipalities make application to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation. After the application is reviewed and the need is established, the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation recommends project approval and the number of units to be built to the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Assistance Once the need and demand is established by the province, the Saskatchewan Housing Corporation oversees the projects construction. Upon completion, the units are turned over to a local housing authority comprised of locally appointed community residents.

Applications for enriched housing units are evaluated by local housing authorities according to criteria established by a federal/provincial agreement.

Housing is allocated on the basis of greatest need, taking into account the following factors: age, income, existing shelter conditions, and existing shelter costs of applicants.

The local housing authority chooses tenants, collects rents and maintains the buildings. Rents are established at 25 per cent of a tenant's income.

Contact Your local housing authority or the nearest regional office or call toll-free from anywhere in Saskatchewan 1 or (112)-800-667-7567.

Innovative Housing

Objective To provide adequate and affordable housing for senior citizens, low-income families and physically disabled people in need of housing.

The Innovative Housing program is based on a province-wide competition. Non-profit organizations or members of the private sector are encouraged to develop their own creative solutions to local housing needs.

Applications are made in two stages: in Stage 1, proposals are described in general terms and are assessed by the Corporation, in stage 2, refined project plans, marketing strategies and details of financial arrangements are explained to demonstrate the viability of the project.

The program is jointly funded by the federal/provincial governments, each providing a 75-25 per cent share respectively for operating subsidies. The capital costs are to be 100 per cent financed by an approved lender and guaranteed by the federal/provincial partnership. Operating subsidies will be provided for the life of the project.

Eligibility Any sponsor interested in providing housing may request assistance under this program. Assistance is allocated following an annual province-wide competition.

Criteria for eligibility are:

- meet a demonstrated housing need in the community,
- show sound financial, developmental and marketing plans,
- have community support.

Assistance Once Stage 1 and 2 have been established, approval is granted. The non-profit organization or private sector group will manage the projects' construction through to completion.

Housing is allocated to clients on the basis of the greatest need, taking into account the following factors; age, income, number of dependents, existing shelter conditions and costs. Rents are established using the public housing rent-to-income scale which sets rents at 25 per cent of a tenant's income.

Contact The nearest regional office or call toll-free 1 or (112)-800-667-7567.

Non-Profit Housing

Objective To provide adequate and affordable housing for senior citizens, low-income families and physically disabled people at affordable rental rates geared to a tenant's income.

The Non-Profit Housing program is jointly funded by the federal/provincial governments, each providing a 75-25 per cent share respectively for operating subsidies. The capital costs are to be 100 per cent financed by an approved lender and guaranteed by the federal/provincial partnership. Operating subsidies will be provided for the life of the project.

Eligibility Non-profit housing corporations and non-profit continuing co-operative housing associations must make application to the Saskatchewan Housing Corporations along with supporting documentation of the evidence of need.

Assistance Once the need and demand is established, approval is granted on selected criteria. The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation or the non-profit group will manage project construction through to completion.

Housing is allocated on the basis of the greatest need taking into account the following factors: age, income, number of dependents, existing shelter conditions and costs of the applicants. Rents are established using the public housing rent-to-income scale which sets rents at 25 per cent of a tenant's income.

Contact The nearest regional office, or call toll-free from anywhere in Saskatchewan 1 or (112)-800-667-7567.

Rent Supplement

Objective To assist low-income individuals and families to obtain affordable rental accommodation.

The program is jointly funded by the federal/provincial governments, providing a 75-25 per cent share respectively for operating subsidies. Subsidy is provided at a guaranteed rental rate for each unit for up to five years.

Eligibility All private sector landlords and property management groups are eligible to apply under this program.

Up to 50 per cent of the project's units could be eligible if the owner bulk leases to tenants who fall within core housing need.

Assistance Rent paid by the tenants in their present accommodation is reduced to 25 per cent of their adjusted income. Any difference between rent paid by the tenant and the average market rent for that unit is made up through government subsidies.

Contact Your local housing authority or the nearest regional office, or call toll-free from anywhere in Saskatchewan 1 or (112)-800-667-7567.

Sask. Human Resources, Labor and Employment

Conciliation Services

Objective To assist employers and unions in resolving disputes arising out of collective bargaining and contract administration.

Eligibility Available on request of either or both parties involved in a labour dispute or grievance.

Contact Conciliation Services
Labour Relations Branch
Saskatchewan Human Resources,Labour and Employment
1870 Albert St.
REGINA, S4R 4V4
Phone: 787-2401

Occupational Health and Safety

Objective To ensure the health and safety of people at work.

Eligibility Employers and employees.

Assistance **Information/Resources** - conducts training programs, and courses; prepares training materials; prepares and distributes hazard alerts and other pertinent information; maintains a film lending library (open to the public); maintains statistics on occupational accidents and morbidity. The department library contains specialized occupational health and safety material.

Toxicology - provides advisory services to industry, physicians and government agencies on toxicity and hazardous nature of industrial chemicals.

Workplace Safety - the province is divided into two zones - north and south. Routine health and safety inspections are conducted to reduce hazardous and unsafe working conditions.

Hygiene - provides technical advisory and consultative services to industry and government agencies; provides analysis and suggests methods to control adverse physical, chemical and biological conditions in the working environment.

Mines Safety - enforces the Mines Regulations under Section 13 of **The Occupational Health and Safety Act**, the Occupational Health and General Regulations and the Atomic Energy Control Regulations through routine inspections and accident investigations in all mines.Conducts training and testing of mine rescue personnel. Conducts testing for blasting certificates, safe use and handling of explosives, hoisting certificates, supervisors' certificates and mine truck brake safety.

Radiation Safety - responsible for programs to minimize the exposure of the public to unnecessary radiation arising from unsafe or poorly-adjusted radiation-emitting sources and equipment, as well as ensuring compliance with federal and provincial regulations relating to the permissible radiation doses that can be received by occupationally exposed workers in Saskatchewan.

Agriculture Health and Safety - The Farm Safety program promotes and supports workplace health and safety among farm families and employees. Education and awareness information is delivered to farm people through print and electronic media, visual displays at trade shows and speaking engagements at meetings and training seminars. The program supports efforts by other departments, corporations and agencies in promoting farm safety

Contact Executive Director
Occupational Health and Safety Branch
Saskatchewan Human Resources, Labour and Employment
1870 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-4496

Safety Officers are available at the following locations:

1870 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-4134

3130 - 8th Street E.
SASKATOON, S7H 0W2
Phone: 933-5052

Transit for the Disabled

Objective To provide financial assistance to cities and towns for transportation of disabled persons. Funding is available for handicapped transit vehicles, construction, handicapped transit operations, demonstration projects and studies.

Eligibility Cities and towns.

Assistance
- 75 per cent grant for handicapped transit vehicles. Included are cost of vehicle acquisition and parts and labour for addition of accessories, and other reasonable expenses.
- 75 per cent grant on eligible cost for handicapped demonstration projects and studies.
- 50 per cent grant on operating deficit.
- municipalities must apply on behalf of private operators where applicable.
- application for non-operation assistance must be made prior to November 1 each year.

Contact Saskatchewan Human Resources, Labour and Employment
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3Z3

Saskatchewan Justice

Community Service Order Program

Objective To offer viable alternative sanction to incarceration which will allow offenders to "pay their debt to society" through community service work rather than imprisonment.

Eligibility At present, a sanction of community service must be a specific condition of the Probation Order under Section 737(2) (h) of the **Criminal Code**.

Assistance Community agencies such as service clubs, municipalities, Indian Band Councils and various non-profit groups provide a bank of work placements and supervise program participants.

Contact Community Liaison Co-ordinator
Corrections Division
Saskatchewan Justice
7th Flr, 1874 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7

Fine Option Program

Objective To provide offenders an alternative means of settlement of a fine by community service work rather than payment in cash or incarceration for default.

Eligibility The program is available to all persons who have been sentenced to a fine, who have been allowed time to pay and the penalty for non-payment is a jail sentence.

Assistance Community agencies such as clubs, municipalities, Indian Band Councils and various non-profit groups provide a bank of work placement and supervise program participants.

Contact Community Liaison Co-ordinator
Corrections Division
Saskatchewan Justice
7th Flr, 1874 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7

Provincial Policing Services

Objective Provision of policing services by the RCMP.

Eligibility Rural municipalities, urban municipalities with a population less than 500 and hamlets, settlements and villages within the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District.

Urban municipalities and towns within the Northern Saskatchewan Administration District having a population between 500 and 1500 may utilize the services for municipal policing by completing an agreement with Saskatchewan Justice.

Service Service provided by the RCMP on the basis of a provincial/federal agreement under which the Province of Saskatchewan pays a share of the total expenditure incurred by the RCMP in providing the policing service.

Urban municipalities in the 500 to 1500 population range utilizing the services of the RCMP are required to pay the average cost per member to the province under the federal/provincial agreement for each 40 hours per week of service provided to the municipality.

Contact
1. Deputy Minister of Justice
   1874 Scarth St.
   REGINA, S4P 3V7
2. Commanding Officer.
   RCMP "F" Division
   Bag Services 2500
   REGINA, S4P 3K7

Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan

Purchase of Municipal Debentures

Objective To assist in making capital funds available for the financing of essential local improvement, school, hospital and other construction projects in cities, towns, villages and rural areas throughout Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Municipalities (urban and rural) and other local governments.

Assistance The Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan will purchase up to 50 per cent of any debentures issued and sold by a local authority during the year, with the exception that only 40 per cent of debentures issued will be purchased with respect to the cities of Regina and Saskatoon. The corporation is also authorized to purchase 100 per cent of municipal debentures that have been issued by local governments to finance water and sewer projects in Saskatchewan.

Contact Municipal Financing Corporation of Saskatchewan
Suite 300 - 2400 College Ave.
REGINA, S4P 1C8
Phone: 787-9085, 787-8125

Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture

Regional offices

HUDSON BAY REGION
Box 970
HUDSON BAY, Sask.
S0E 0Y0
Phone: 865-2274

SASKATOON REGION
122- 3rd Ave. N.
SASKATOON, Sask.
S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6240

PRINCE ALBERT REGION
McIntosh Mall, Box 3003
PRINCE ALBERT, Sask.
S6V 6G1
Phone: 953-2899

REGINA REGION
3211 Albert St.
REGINA, Sask.
S4S 5W6
Phone: 787-8440

MELVILLE REGION
117-3rd Ave.
MELVILLE, Sask.
S0A 2P0
Phone: 728-4491

LA RONGE REGION
Box 5000
LA RONGE, Sask.
S0J 1L0
Phone: 425-4231

MEADOW LAKE REGION
Box 580
MEADOW LAKE, Sask.
S0M 1V0
Phone: 236-5681

SWIFT CURRENT REGION
350 Cheadle St. W.
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 4G3
Phone: 778-8208

Big Game Damage Prevention

Objective To prevent big game damage to agricultural produce, assist game in severe winters and landowners suffering losses by big game.

Eligibility Landowners, wildlife organizations, local organizations, concerned citizens.

Assistance A wide variety of ungulate damage prevention materials is stockpiled throughout the province. Supplies of feed and feeders are also available. Black bear damage prevention material is available in the northern agricultural areas.

Contact
1. Local Conservation Officers
2. Program Co-ordinator, Wildlife Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6

Dutch Elm Disease Surveillance and Control Program

Objective To encourage and assist communities and citizens with elm trees to prevent the spread of Dutch elm disease (DED) in Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Wherever elm trees are present in cities, towns, villages, rural municipalities; city, regional and provincial parks.

Assistance This program is jointly administered by Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture and the Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Administration (PFRA). Control for the spread of the disease is achieved by:

a) Prevention - keeping elm trees healthy and vigorous;

b) Pruning - since beetles are attracted by dying or dead wood, elms should be pruned regularly;

c) Early detection - early symptoms are when leaves suddenly wilt, droop and curl and turn brown; late symptoms are sudden yellowing and premature fall of leaves. Appearance of brown streaks in sapwood that can be seen by removing the bark of the infected branch.

d) Confirmation - disease can only be confirmed by laboratory test; send suspected branch sample to Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food laboratory in Regina. If DED is confirmed the tree should be immediately removed and burned.

Contact
1. Local Conservation Officers
2. DED Program Co-ordinator
   Forestry Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   Box 3003
   PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1
   Phone: 953-2357, 953-2221
3. Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food
   Plant Disease Laboratory
   3085 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 0B1

Fish Enhancement

Objective To develop projects to restore degraded fisheries and fish habitat and create new fishing opportunities.

Eligibility Saskatchewan Wildlife Federation branches, municipalities, regional park associations, fishing clubs, civic groups.

Assistance Various levels of financial and technical assistance are available, depending on the details of the specific project. Projects include: stream habitat rehabilitation, trout pond development, lake aeration, spawning habitat improvement, and rearing ponds. The program is presently focusing on low maintenance habitat projects.

Contact
1. Regional Fisheries Biologists,
2. Fish Enhancement Program Manager
   Fisheries Branch,
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   Box 3003
   PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Fish Habitat Protection

Objective To identify and minimize detrimental effects on fish habitat by evaluating and regulating developments.

Eligibility Municipalities, landowners, farmers.

Assistance Technical assistance is provided to assess potential negative impacts on fish and fish habitat that may result from shoreline developments and land use practices.

Contact
1. Regional Fisheries Biologists,
2. Fish Habitat Co-ordinator,
   Fisheries Branch,
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture,
   Box 3003
   PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Nuisance Beaver Control Program

Objective To control flooding of agricultural lands and plugging of road culverts by nuisance beaver.

Eligibility Landowners, rural municipalities, trappers.

Assistance A wide variety of prevention techniques have developed throughout the province including the use of culvert protectors, cleaners, water level control pipes and explosives.

Contact
1. Local Conservation Officer
2. Regional Offices.

Problem Wildlife Control

Objective To control problem wildlife and minimize agricultural losses to predators.

Eligibility Farmers, rural municipalities.

Assistance Control of predators, such as coyotes, is achieved using several methods, including:

a) Prevention - the promotion of damage prevention techniques such as coyote den searches, removing carrion, electric fencing, night penning, etc.

b) Aircraft Permits - issued under careful supervision to aid the aversion conditioning program. Isolated "killer" animals are removed.

c) Snowmobile Permits - can be issued for severe local problems that cannot be dealt with by other means, with the approval of the rural municipal council.

d) Poison - 1080 poison is used in fresh coyote-killed sheep carcasses to eliminate the problem coyote when it returns to feed on the carcasses.

Contact
1. Local Conservation Officers immediately upon first sign of problems.
2. Problem Wildlife Biologist
   Wildlife Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6

Regional Parks Program

Objective To provide an outdoor recreation opportunity within easy driving distance for all Saskatchewan residents.

Eligibility Rural and urban municipalities.

Assistance **Capital Cost Sharing**

Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture will contribute 66 2/3 per cent of capital expenditures while municipalities must contribute the remaining 33 1/3 per cent according to current five year capital development agreements. Local organizations can undertake the municipal share.

Maintenance Cost-Sharing

The Province also provides maintenance grants to the 101 regional parks to help defray the operating and maintenance costs of the park assets.

Contact Manager, Regional Parks Program
Parks Branch,
Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
3211 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 5W6

Waterfowl Crop Damage Prevention Program

Objective To provide assistance to landowners in preventing crop damage by waterfowl and resolve major depredation problems adjacent to large permanent marshes. Compensation for losses due to waterfowl is not available under this program.

Eligibility Farmers.

Assistance Prevention materials such as scare cannons are available from Conservation Officers. Bait stations and permanent lure crops are operated by department staff on large marshes throughout the province as warranted.

Contact

1. Local Conservation Officer,
2. Program Co-ordinator
   Wildlife Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   15 Innovation Blvd.
   SASKATOON, S7N 2X8

Wildlife Habitat Conservation

Objective To preserve and establish cover necessary for the survival of important wildlife populations, and to do this in co-operation with agriculture.

Eligibility Farmers, rural municipalities and regional authorities.

Assistance A wide variety of programs are in place to further the conservation of habitat for big game, upland game birds, waterfowl, non-game and rare and endangered species. Many of these programs are implemented in conjunction with non-government conservation organizations. There is a growing emphasis on landowner stewardship of habitat (and associated soil or water) in conjunction with financial or technical assistance from a wildlife agency/organization, but in some cases only public recognition is appropriate. Leaving unused road allowances in their natural state benefits wildlife. Multiple-use management of Crown lands and purchase/set-aside of key wildlife habitats are other options.

Contact

1. Local Conservation Officer,
2. Regional Offices listed above,
3. Local conservation organization,
4. Habitat Programs
   Wildlife Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6
   Phone: 787-8450

Zone Consultants

In addition to the wildlife protection and parks programs listed above, the department administers several programs in the Culture and Sport Division of interest to local organizations. Consultants for these programs are located in the following field offices and are able to provide information on these programs.

Zone #1
1219-5th St.
ESTEVAN, S4A 0Z1
Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Lawrence Michaels
Phone:634-0725

110 Souris Ave.
WEYBURN, S4H 2Z9
Arts and Multicultural
Consultant-Fred Lowenberger
Phone: 848-2426/27

Zone #3
350 Cheadle St. W.
SWIFT CURRENT, S9H 4G3

Sport and Recreation
Consultant-John Huber

Arts and Multicultural
Consultant-Gord Zakreski

Phone: 778-8413/14

Zone #4
120 Smith St. E.
YORKTON, S3N 3V3

Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Ron Knaus

Arts and Multicultural
Consultant-Andy Than

Phone: 786-1460

Zone #5 & 6
10th Flr,122-3rd Ave. N.
SASKATOON, S7K 2H6

Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Art Lord

Arts and Multicultural
Consultant-Tim Twardochleb

Phone: 933-5740

Zone #7
326-1146-102nd St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, S9A 1E9

Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Andy Churko

Arts and Multicultural
Consultant-Keith Comstock

Phone: 446-7426

Zone #8
P.O. Box 6500
MELFORT, S0E 1A0
Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Ross Lynd
Phone: 752-2070

P.O. Box 3003
PRINCE ALBERT,S6V 6G1
Arts andMulticultural
Consultant-GordTrischuk
Phone: 953-2285

Northern District
P.O. Box 5000
LA RONGE, S0J 1L0
Sport and Recreation
Consultant-Dennis Moore
Phone: 425-4350/54

Community Cultural/Recreational Facilities Program

Objective To encourage and assist communities to construct new cultural and recreational facilities and to renovate existing buildings or sites that may be used for cultural and recreational pursuits.

Eligibility Municipalities including: cities, towns, villages, resort villages, Indian Bands, northern towns,villages, hamlets and settlements, rural municipalities and organized hamlets.

Assistance The following table indicates the maximum assistance to municipalities under this program for the entire 6-year period from 1989-90 to 1994-95.

Maximum available to Municipalities

Type of Facility	under 5,000	5,000 to 100,000
1. Indoor Skating Rink	$200,000	$250,000
2. Curling Rink	100,000	75,000/rink
3. Swimming Pool	250,000	100,000/pool
4. Passive Park	25,000	25,000
5. Active Park Development incl. golf courses, tennis courts & outdoor athletic facilities	50,000	50,000/park
6. Gymnasiums	100,000	75,000/gym
7. Community Halls	100,000	75,000/hall
8. Museums	100,000	75,000/museum
9. Art Centres	100,000	75,000/centre
10. Senior Citizens Hall	100,000	75,000/hall
11. Bowling Alley	100,000	75,000/facility

Municipalities over 100,000 are eligible for $1 million for Passive Park Development.

Contact
1. Zone Consultants
2. Sport and Recreation Branch
Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
3211 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 5W6

General Heritage Grant

Objective To conduct local inventories of heritage sites and structures, obtain professional or technical assessments on heritage structures, conduct research studies on municipal heritage development projects relating to the heritage of Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Municipalities, organizations, societies, community groups and individuals. Applications must be submitted by December 31 of each year.

Assistance
1. Matching grant (50 per cent of eligible costs) up to $5,000 for municipal heritage development projects, for communities with populations over 5,000.
2. Matching grant (50 per cent of eligible costs) of up to $3,000 for local heritage inventories, technical assessments, and related research projects.
3. Up to $5,000 on a 75/25 per cent basis for professional research in the area of archaeology, architecture, history or historical geography.

Contact
1. Zone Consultants
2. Grants Co-ordinator
Heritage Branch
Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
3211 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 5W6
Phone: 787-5875

Integrative Recreation Grant for Disabled Persons

Objective To assist in the development of new integrated recreation, sport and leisure time activities for the physically and mentally-handicapped, and to assist in making possible and equalizing opportunities for the handicapped to participate and to encourage participation in meaningful integrated recreation, sport and leisure time activities.

Eligibility This grant is available to community, regional or provincial organizations, registered under **The Non-profit Corporations Act,** and interested in recreation programs for or involving the mentally and/or physically handicapped. The grant must be utilized for the provision of recreation, sport and leisure services for the physically and mentally handicapped.

Assistance Eligible organizations making application to the program may be awarded one grant per year up to a maximum of $800. Applications to the program must be submitted to the department prior to the initiation of the projects. Projects must be completed by March 31st of the fiscal year for which they are being applied.

The grant will be awarded to assist in specific areas. They are:

1. To develop or conduct new integrative recreation, sport and leisure time programs. A "new program" means a program that is new to the community, regional or provincial organization and has not been undertaken by that group in the past.

2. To develop or conduct innovative programs. An "innovative program" means a program that is experimental or new to the field.

Funds approved in those two areas may be used to assist in; the acquisition of adaptive or specialized equipment; facility rental or renovation; volunteer training; and transportation costs directly related to innovative or new programs.

3. Volunteer Training. Funds approved in this area may be used to assist with volunteer training costs, including instruction, transportation, and accommodation not directly related to innovative or new programs.

Those areas not eligible for consideration under this program are: staff costs, participant fees, totally segregated programs, food costs, and program duplication.

Contact

1. Zone Sport and Recreation Consultants
2. Sport and Recreation Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6

Municipal Heritage Property Grant

Objective To stabilize, restore and interpret sites and structures formally designated as Municipal Heritage Property by a municipal council.

Eligibility Property owners or long-term lessees. Applications must be submitted by December 31 of each year.

Assistance Matching grant (50 per cent of eligible costs) up to $20,000 over any two-year period. The applicant is responsible for operation and long-term maintenance costs of the structure.

Contact

1. Zone Consultants
2. Grants Co-ordinator
   Heritage Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6
   Phone: 787-5875

Provincial Heritage Property Grant

Objective To stabilize, restore and interpret sites and structures, formally designated as Provincial Heritage Property by the provincial government.

Eligibility Provincial Heritage Property owners or long-term lessees. Applications must be submitted by December 31 of each year.

Assistance Matching grant (50 per cent of eligible costs) up to $100,000 over any five-year period. The applicant is responsible for operation and long-term maintenance costs of the structure.

Contact

1. Zone Consultants
2. Grants Co-ordinator
   Heritage Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6
   Phone: 787-5875

Provincial Heritage Property Tax Rebate Grant

Objective To provide an incentive to owners to preserve and maintain sites and structures formally designated by the provincial government as Provincial Heritage Property.

Eligibility Provincial Heritage Property owners. Application may be submitted after the annual property taxes have been paid.

Assistance Matching grant to provide 50 per cent of the annual property tax on the designated property, up to $1,000 per year.

Contact

1. Zone Consultants
2. Grants Co-ordinator
   Heritage Branch
   Saskatchewan Parks, Recreation and Culture
   3211 Albert St.
   REGINA, S4S 5W6
   Phone: 787-5875

Saskatchewan Police Commission

Saskatchewan Police College

Objective To provide a training program for municipal police personnel.

Eligibility Municipal police forces.

Service The College provides a recruit training course (approximately 16 weeks), for newly-appointed municipal police constables, at the University of Regina campus.

The College also arranges and provides for ongoing in-service training for municipal police personnel from junior constable up to upper management ranks. Courses required by **The Police Act** are; Operational Investigator's course, Senior Constable's Development Course, Introduction to Management Course.

Other courses offered deal with specialized areas of operational police investigation and advanced management skills. In addition, the College arranges short seminars for specific subjects or problems as the need is identified

Contact Director,Saskatchewan Police College
Room 435, Administration Humanities Bldg.
University of Regina
REGINA, S4S 0A2

Executive Director
Saskatchewan Police Commission
5th Flr, 2350 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 4A6

Saskatchewan Police Commission

Objective To promote the preservation of peace, prevention of crime, and effectiveness of police services and to improve police relationships with the communities in the province.

Eligibility Municipal councils, Boards of Police Commissioners, police chiefs and individual citizens.

Service 1. Upgrading and standardization of municipal services through regulations governing police recruiting, clothing, discipline and equipment.

2. Consultation with boards of police commissioners, municipal councils and police chiefs and assessment of:

a) the extent of crime;
b) the standard of law enforcement;
c) the effectiveness of personnel;
d) the adequacy of equipment and facilities in any municipality; and
e) any other matter related to the standard of policing and law enforcement.

3. Provide advice and information to boards of police commissioners and municipal councils on all matters related to municipal policing under **The Police Act**.

4. Under Section 12 of **The Police Act**, the Commission has a responsibility to investigate citizens' complaints against the conduct of police personnel, and when necessary, to hold a public inquiry.

5. The Commission also hears appeals against disciplinary sanctions imposed on police personnel by Chiefs of Police, Boards of Police Commissioners, or Council.

6. Initiate, supervise and co-ordinate crime prevention programs throughout the province,

7. Co-ordinate all municipal police training requirements at the Canadian Police College.

Contact Executive Director
Saskatchewan Police Commission
5th Floor, 2350 Albert St.
REGINA, S4P 4A6

Saskatchewan Public Participation

Public Participation

Objective

1. To provide opportunities for direct participation of Saskatchewan people, employees, and third parties in both the operation of government and the development of the economy.

2. To create new economic activity within Saskatchewan, utilizing the billion dollar service and asset base of the Government of Saskatchewan and the skills of thousands of public servants.

3. To generate revenues, cost savings and tax benefits for the people of Saskatchewan.

Eligibility

Employees, third party groups including municipal governments, the volunteer sector and the private sector.

Service

The Department of Public Participation welcomes expressions of interest from the above groups, which could result in the following:

a) increase employee ownership in the provision of government services and in the economic system through employee-owned companies;

b) allow third party groups to participate directly in the public service areas in which they have an interest;

c) allow the private sector to bid on, and contract government services that can be efficiently and effectively provided by the public sector;

d) utilize the ideas and skills of employees, third party organizations, private sector firms and communities to develop Crown assets.

Contact

Saskatchewan Public Participation
Room 331 - 3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 1-800-667-7579 (Toll-free)

Saskatchewan Public Participation
231-4th Ave. S.
SASKATOON, S7K 1N1
Phone: 933-6999

Saskatchewan Research Council

Analytical Services Laboratory

Objective To provide chemical and radiochemical analysis services to industry, governments, and the general public.

Eligibility Municipalities, industry and general public.

Service The laboratory provides complete analysis of water, chemicals, metals, alloys, and environmental samples. Trace elemental and radiochemical analysis of all sample types. Radon testing of buildings. The laboratory provides emergency monitoring services in the case of chemical accidents and spills (PCB's, toxic organic chemicals, tailings pond failures, radio active materials, etc.).

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
Dr. G. Smithson
Manager of Analytical Services
101 Research Dr.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-6932

Archaeology Program

Objective To provide archaeological research services to potential development and tourism agencies, and to increase the level of heritage knowledge and awareness.

Eligibility Government, municipalities, industry, developers, planners and general public.

Service Archaeological studies, inventories, assessment and mitigation development in areas subject to impact by development.

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
J. Finnigan
Manager of Archaeology Program
15 Innovation Blvd.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-8175

Atmospheric Processes Program

Objective To provide research and development services for the investigation of atmospheric environmental concerns related to government, industry and agricultural requirements.

Eligibility Government, municipalities, industry and general public.

Service Monitoring of airborne emissions and air pollution. Irrigation scheduling requirements. Pesticide Spray Technology (better applications to reduce pesticide drift).

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
Dr. S. Shewchuk
Manager of Atmospheric Processes Program
15 Innovation Blvd.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-5437

Aquatic Biology Program

Objective To provide services related to the quality of Saskatchewan's surface water, to identify contaminant pathways in surface water, and to devise strategies for the mitigation of water quality problems in order to protect and enhance all uses of this resource.

Eligibility Government, municipalities, industry, and the general public.

Service Internationally recognized expertise in contaminant pathways, algae, toxicology and invertebrate ecology. Laboratory facilities and field equipment for identification and mitigation of water quality problems, including facilities for testing algae control methods and aquatic toxicological testing. Extensive experience in field investigations in remote areas.

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
Dr. S. Swanson
Manager of Aquatic Biology Program
15 Innovation Blvd.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-8174

Sedimentary Resources Program

Objective To develop information and technologies for solving Saskatchewan geology, mineral resources, and groundwater problems.

Eligibility Government, municipalities, industry, and general public (well-drillers).

Service To provide an inventory and assessment of geology, aggregate resources (sand, gravel, etc.) and groundwater throughout the province.

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
B. Schreiner
Manager of Sedimentary Resources Program
15 Innovation Blvd.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-5495

Terrestrial Ecology Program

Objective To provide research and development services, technology adoption concerning the effects of airborne and waterborne contaminants on Saskatchewan soils and terrestrial plant life of a region, and develop strategies for improving production.

Eligibility Government, municipalities, industry and general public.

Service Evaluation of the effects of industrial wastes (e.g. drilling wastes, oil wastes, mull tailings) on soils and plants.

Monitoring of soils, crops and forest vegetation in relation to atmospheric deposition (acidic precipitation and pesticides).

Evaluation of revegetation potential and techniques, and rangelands management and improvement.

Wildlife aerial and ground surveys, and habitat assessment.

Contact Saskatchewan Research Council
Z. Abouguendia
Manager of Terrestrial Ecology Program
15 Innovation Blvd.
SASKATOON, S7N 2X8
Phone: 933-8185

Saskatchewan Rural Development

Rural Service Centres

2nd Ave. W. & Queen St.
BIGGAR, S0K 0M0

6th Ave. & Souris Ave.
ESTEVAN,

1102-3rd Ave. N.
KINDERSLEY, S0L 1S0

111 Crawford Ave. E.
MELFORT, S0E 1A0

Industrial Dr. & Werb St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD,

718 Railway Ave.
ROSTHERN, S0K 3R0

200 Mountain St.
STRASBOURG, S0G 4V0

99-1st St. N.
TURTLEFORD, S0M 2Y0

411 Main St.
WATROUS, S0K 4T0

Sherbrooke St.
WOLSELEY, S0G 5H0

410 Main St.
CANORA, S0A 0L0

Grand Ave.
INDIAN HEAD, S0G 2K0

111-1st Ave. W.
LEADER, S0N 1H0

290 Prince William Dr.
MELVILLE, S0A 2P0

400 Sask. St. W.
OUTLOOK, S0L 2N0

3815 Thatcher Ave.
SASKATOON,

260 Central Ave. N.
SWIFT CURRENT,

1st Ave. & 1st St.
UNITY, S0K 4L0

110 Souris Ave.
WEYBURN, S4H 2Z9

310-12 Ave.B W.
WYNYARD, S0A 4T0

40 Railway Ave.
CARROT RIVER, S0E 0L0

241-2nd St.
KAMSACK, S0A 1S0

1st Ave. & 4th St.
MEADOW LAKE, S0M 1V0

806 Broadway Ave.
MOOSOMIN, S0G 3N0

117 Main St.
RAYMORE, S0A 3J0

55-3rd Ave. E.
SHAUNAVON, S0N 2M0

1111-99th St.
TISDALE, S0E 1T0

1st Ave. and Main St.
WAKAW, S0K 4P0

307-2nd Ave. W.
WILKIE, S0K 4W0

72 Smith St. E.
YORKTON, S3N 2Y4

Funding under Provincial Municipal Revenue Sharing - Rural

Introduction

Revenue sharing is an arrangement under which the provincial government transfers a part of its revenues to municipalities on a consistent basis from year to year.

Revenue sharing supplements the property tax, provides municipalities with another major revenue source, and strengthens local government autonomy.

How Revenue Sharing Works

The first step is to determine the total revenue sharing "pool". Separate pools are determined for urban municipalities as a group and rural municipalities as a group.

Once the initial size of the two pools has been determined, adjustments to the size of the pools may be made annually by the provincial government. The adjusted amount will be paid to the municipalities each year. Grants are paid on both a conditional and on an unconditional basis. Different formulas are used to distribute these two types of grants. Conditional grants for the construction of designated roads are calculated using a distribution formula and as in previous years the funds for the various road programs are pooled.

Conditional Revenue Sharing Grants

For the sake of uniformity of standards, the following grants, while being part of the revenue sharing program, will continue to be paid on a conditional basis:

- Primary Grid Surfaced Program
- Primary Grid Gravel Program
- Grid Road Program
- Main Farm Access Program
- Special Roads
- Heavy Haul and High Volume Program
- Assistance for Bridges
- Road Maintenance Program
- Regravel Program
- Timber Road Maintenance Program
- Traffic Safety Program

(See following material for details)

Contact Executive Director,
Transportation Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2701

Unconditional Revenue Sharing Grants

The unconditional revenue sharing grant consists of the following: the basic grant, equalization grant and a grant for organized hamlets.

Basic Grant

Every municipality receives a basic grant. The basic grant is calculated by taking a percentage of the rural municipality's annual service costs, as calculated under the equalization grant formula. This percentage can vary annually.

Equalization Grant

This grant is calculated using the equalization grant formula. The equalization grant paid to a municipality is based on the cost of providing adequate services, including roads, as compared to the municipality's ability to finance such services.

Grants for Organized Hamlets

The base amount is determined by population size. A further amount of $51.46 per capita is added.

Population	Base Grant
0 - 149	$2,700
150 - 299	3,300
300 - 499	3,700
500 +	3,500

The unconditional revenue sharing grant is paid to the rural municipality annually by Saskatchewan Rural Development. The rural municipality need not make application to receive the grant.

Contact Director, Transportation Planning
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2720

Primary Grid Surfaced Roads

Objective To provide a system of oil surfaced main arterial rural roads.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance For construction, reconstruction and oil surfacing - Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent) plus 30 per cent. These roads are also eligible for general maintenance assistance at $130 or $180/km annually. Assistance for the cost of oil surface maintenance is also available at a rate of 50 per cent. To date, assistance is available on 2,945 km of primary grid surface roads.

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Primary Grid Gravel Roads

Objective To provide a system of gravel surfaced main arterial rural roads.

Eligibility Rural Municipalities.

Assistance For construction and reconstruction- Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent) plus 25 per cent. These roads are also eligible for general maintenance assistance at $90, $130 or $180/km annually. To date, assistance is available on 5,562 km of primary grid gravel roads

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Grid Roads

Objective To provide a secondary system of all weather inter-municipal routes.

Eligibility Rural Municipalities.

Assistance For construction and reconstruction- Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent) plus 15 per cent. These roads are also eligible for general maintenance assistance at $90 or $180/km annually. To date, assistance is available on 12,828 km of grid roads

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Main Farm Access Roads

Objective To provide all weather access roads from farmsites to marketing centres for as many rural residents as possible. Roads that carry at least 30 vpd may be eligible for designation as main farm access roads.

Eligibility Rural Municipalities.

Assistance For construction and reconstruction- Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent). For 1989 only MFA construction will receive an extra 10 per cent assistance. These roads are also eligible for general maintenance assistance at $60/km annually. To date, assistance is available for construction or reconstruction of 29,130 km of

main farm access roads.

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Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Special Roads

Objective To provide all weather access roads to resorts, regional parks, industries, oilfields and Indian reserves.

Eligibility Rural Municipalities.

Assistance These roads are eligible for assistance for construction and reconstruction. If traffic volumes exceed 150 vpd on a year-round basis, they may also be eligible for oil surfacing assistance.

- Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent) plus 25 per cent. These roads are also eligible for general maintenance assistance at $90, $130 or $180/km annually. Assistance for the cost of maintenance on oil surfaced special roads is 50 per cent. To date, assistance is available for construction or reconstruction of 2,425 km of special roads and 342 km of oil surfacing.

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Heavy Haul-High Volume Road Program

Objective To provide additional assistance to upgrade roads carrying heavy truck traffic or high traffic volumes to higher standards than normal for the road classifications.

Eligibility Rural Municipalities.

Assistance For construction, reconstruction and surfacing.

- Normal assistance for the road classification to construct or surface to minimum designated standards,
- Basic assistance rate (40-60 per cent) plus 30 per cent for costs in excess of normal for the road classification. These roads are eligible for general maintenance assistance and for paved surface maintenance assistance. To date, assistance is available on 1,036 km of heavy haul-high volume roads.

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Municipal Bridge Services

Objective To provide technical and financial assistance for the construction and maintenance of bridges.

Eligibility Municipalities.

Assistance Assistance on eligible projects is provided for:

1. Bridge construction,
2. Bridge maintenance,
3. Installation of culverts or construction of a road diversion or a low-level ford crossing, eliminating the need for a bridge.

Contact Director of Bridge Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2706

Road Maintenance Program

Objective To assist municipalities in maintaining the designated road system.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance For general maintenance of primary grid, grid and special roads (including heavy haul)

- $90/km annually for roads carrying up to 150 vehicles per day,
- $130/km annually for roads carrying 150 to 250 vehicles per day,
- $180/km annually for roads carrying more than 250 vehicles per day.

For general maintenance of main farm access roads-$60/km annually.

For maintenance of asphalt surfaces on primary grid and special roads-50 per cent of approved maintenance costs.

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Regravel Program

Objective To assist municipalities to regravel the designated road systems.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance 50 per cent of the cost to apply up to 48m³/km (100 yd³/mi) annually to all constructed, gravel surfaced designated roads. Currently 45,241 km of designated roads are eligible for regravel assistance.

Contact Director of Road Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2716

Rural Traffic Safety Program

Objective To provide technical and financial assistance to rural municipalities for purchasing and installing traffic signs on municipal roads other than the designated road systems and in improving road alignment and intersections. Cost share on maintenance of centre line striping and railway signals.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance Grants will be provided on a 50/50 cost-shared basis.

Contact Director of Transportation Planning
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2720

Timber Roads Maintenance Assistance

Objective To provide maintenance assistance to rural municipalities on established routes where overweight loads of timber are being hauled.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance The department will pay the municipality an annual subsidy of 3.37 cents/cord/km to assist on maintenance of the route.

Contact Transportation Planning
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2721

Traffic Counting Program

Objective To provide traffic volume counts on all municipal roads for the purpose of transportation planning and payment of maintenance grants based on traffic volumes. Counts are carried out on a five-year cycle.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance The grant is 100 per cent of the study cost.

Contact Director of Transportation Planning
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2720

Road Inventory Program

Objective To provide maps showing the municipal road network and farm homes. The maps are required for transportation planning and the municipal road mileage is a factor in computing the unconditional grant.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance The grant is 100 per cent of the study cost.

Contact Director of Transportation Planning
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2720

Community Economic Development

Objective To assist individual urban municipalities in enhancing their socio-economic development and viability.

Eligibility Urban municipalities (towns, villages and resort villages) with populations of between 700 and 5,000.

Assistance Province will provide a matching cost-sharing grant of up to $4,000 annually, for a maximum of four years. An additional $1,000 is available to prepare a community profile

Contact Community Planning and Development Services Branch
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2753

or

3130 - 8th St. E.
SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6118

Rural Development Corporation (RDC)

Objective To assist in achieving inter-municipal involvement and co-operation in pursuing rural socio-economic development.

Eligibility As a minimum requirement, a RDC is to be comprised of four abutting municipalities, one of which must be a rural municipality.

Assistance Guaranteed provincial funding from the date of establishment, based on a declining scale formula, to a maximum of $132,200, over a five-year period. Provincial funds are to be used for RDC operating costs, an area opportunity survey and a strategic development plan.

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Saskatchewan Rural Development
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REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2753

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SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6118

Buy Locally Days

Objective To encourage people to purchase goods and services within their own communities.

Eligibility Towns.

Assistance Province pays for province-wide media advertising campaigns. Municipalities simultaneously promote their communities.

Contact Community Planning and Development Services Branch
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2753

or

3130 - 8th St. E.
SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6118

Community Profile

Objective To promote and market Saskatchewan urban municipalities for socio-economic development.

Eligibility All urban municipalities.

Assistance Province pays for profile preparation; profiles are distributed at cost.

Contact Communication Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2727

Group Education

Objective To assist socio-economic development groups to be more effective administratively and as development facilitators.

Eligibility All Community Economic Development Committees and Rural Development Corporations.

Assistance Provided at no cost.

Contact Community Planning and Development Services Branch
Saskatchewan Rural Development
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REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2753

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General Professional Services

Objective To assist urban and rural municipalities and other interested groups in initiating, co-ordinating and achieving socio-economic development in rural Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Urban and rural municipalities.

Assistance Professional services at no cost.

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Phone: 787-2753

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SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6118

Planning Services Assistance

Objective To assist in the preparation of planning bylaws through the use of private-sector consulting services.

Eligibility All rural municipalities and inter-municipal advisory planning districts.

Assistance The Province will provide monetary grants and co-ordinating/administrative assistance.

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REGINA, S4S 0B1
Phone: 787-2753

or

3130 - 8th St. E.
SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6118

Grasshopper and Persistent Perennial Weed Control

Objective To control serious grasshopper or persistent weed infestations on unallocated provincial lands and community pastures.

Eligibility Rural municipalities conducting an active control program and responsible for carrying out authorized control measures.

Assistance The department pays balance of costs not covered by other programs for approved chemicals used under authorized measures.

Contact Regional Managers in the following offices:

350 Cheadle St. W.
SWIFT CURRENT, S4H 4G3

Box 1480,
TISDALE, S0E 1T0

3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

105-1146-102nd St.
NORTH BATTLEFORD, S9A 1E9

Taxes Levied Relative to Provincial Lands

Objective To assist municipalities in the administration and collection of taxes levied relative to provincial lands.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance a) Lands lease/sale agreement cancellation for non-payment of taxes.

b) Payment of up to two years of eligible unpaid taxes on behalf of former lessees/purchasers of provincial lands.

c) Payment of a grant-in-lieu of tax relative to vacant provincial lands acquired by purchase (patented provincial lands).

d) Payment of a grant-in lieu of tax relative to provincial lands within a provincial community pasture.

Contact Municipal Tax Officer
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

Surface Dispositions Sand and Gravel Policy

Objective To clarify and standardize procedures and conditions for issuing sans and gravel surface leases.

Eligibility Anyone wishing to quarry. Rural municipalities, contractors and private individuals.

Assistance Permits, leases and licences are issued by Saskatchewan Energy and Mines and Saskatchewan Rural Development for access and permission for removal of material.

Contact Special Lease Section, Lands
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

Agriculture, Development and Diversification (ADD) Board Grant

Objective To provide financial assistance to rural and urban municipalities to join ADD boards by covering some of the cost of remuneration to board members and administrative expenses.

Eligibility Available to ADD boards that have been declared a Body Corporate by the Minister of Rural Development.

Assistance Saskatchewan Rural Development will pay the ADD board a grant of $1,000 per participating rural municipality.

Contact Director of Extension Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

District Agricultural Fieldworker Grant

Objective To assist Agriculture, Development and Diversification (ADD) boards with the co-ordination and supervision of district agricultural improvement projects such as rat and other pest and weed control.

Eligibility Joint committees established by ADD boards employing district agricultural fieldworkers.

Assistance Saskatchewan Rural Development will pay the Joint Committee a grant equal to two-thirds of the fieldworker's wages and travelling expenses, plus two-thirds to the committee's administrative expenses. Maximum grant - $3.25 per census farm and $40 per township.

Contact Director of Extension Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

or Rural Service Centre.

Grants to Exhibition, Agricultural and Horticultural Societies

Objective To provide financial assistance to societies to assist them with promotional and educational activities to encourage improvement and development in agriculture and horticulture in Saskatchewan.

Eligibility Class B and C exhibition associations and agricultural societies, and all horticultural societies in Saskatchewan.

Assistance Operating grants are provided on the basis of costs of agricultural activities and operations of the society. Grants are equal to 50 per cent of operating costs with maximum per year of $7,500 for a Class B exhibition association; $3,750 Class C agricultural society; and $750 for a horticultural society.

Contact Director of Extension Services
Saskatchewan Rural Development
3085 Albert St.
REGINA, S4S 0B1

or Rural Service Centre.

Saskatchewan Social Services

Regional offices

REGINA
2240 Albert St.
Phone: 787-3700
or
155 Albert St. N.
Phone: 787-3531

WEYBURN
110 Souris Ave. NE
Phone: 842-4644

ESTEVAN
1219 - 5th St.
Phone: 634-3646

SASKATOON
122 - 3rd Ave. N.
Phone: 933-6077
or
2310 Arlington Ave.
Phone: 933-7140
or
20 - 15 Worobetz Place
Phone: 933-7155

CREIGHTON
Phone: (204)687-3487

YORKTON
72 Smith Street E.
Phone: 783-3666

MELFORT
107 Crawford St. E.
Phone: 752-2701

NIPAWIN
Phone: 862-3191

PRINCE ALBERT
800 Central Ave.
Phone: 953-2345

WYNYARD
Phone: 554-2577

FORT QU'APPELLE
Phone: 332-4652

NORTH BATTLEFORD
1146 - 102nd St.
Phone: 446-6191

LA LOCHE
Phone: 822-2238

LLOYDMINSTER
4909 - 49th Street
Phone: (403)825-3079

SWIFT CURRENT
350 Cheadle St. W.
Phone: 773-9386

KINDERSLEY
Phone: 463-2033

ROSETOWN
Phone: 882-4442

LA RONGE
Phone: 425-4544

MOOSE JAW
60 Fairford St. W.
Phone: 694-3647

BUFFALO NARROWS
Phone: 235-4312

MEADOW LAKE
Phone: 236-3671

Cost Sharing Municipal Grants to Social Service Agencies

Objective To provide financial assistance to municipalities that contribute to the operation of Social Services agencies.

Eligibility Municipalities that contribute to the staff-related costs of social service agencies may be eligible to have up to 50 per cent of this financial contribution reimbursed by the province. The criterion that must be met is that the agency must be approved for cost sharing with the federal government under the Canada Assistance Plan. Agencies which fall within this category are primarily those providing counselling, assessment and referral, social rehabilitation, day care and homemaker services.

Assistance Up to 50 per cent of the municipal financial contribution is reimbursed by the province.

Contact Senior Consultant
Federal-Provincial Relations
Policy and Program Services Division
Saskatchewan Social Services
1920 Broad St.
REGINA, S4P 3V6

Saskatchewan Urban Affairs

Regional offices

2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2635

122-3rd Ave. N.
SASKATOON, S7K 2H6
Phone: 933-6110

Box 3003
PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1
Phone: 953-2400

Box 5000
LA RONGE, S0J 1L0
Phone: 425-4320

Box 159
BUFFALO NARROWS, S0M 0J0
Phone: 235-4450

Toll-free in Saskatoon
and North: 1-800-772-4068

Business Tax Assistance

Objective To reduce the burden of business taxes on the business sector and thereby providing a fairer and more competitive tax environment.

To encourage local governments to reduce or eliminate the business tax in their own communities.

Eligibility All Saskatchewan business owners who have paid their business taxes by December 31 of the taxation year.

Assistance Businesses who pay annual business taxes:

- of $300 or less, will receive all of their taxes back,
- from $300 to $1,200, will receive $300,
- from $1,200 to $5,000, will receive 25 per cent of the business tax paid,
- of $5,000 or more, will receive $1,250.

Only businesses that have paid their business taxes before December 31 of each year will be eligible to receive assistance. Applications will be mailed directly to each business owners, in each year of the three-year program. Additional applications are also available at all provincial and municipal offices.

Contact Business Tax Assistance
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2635

Education and Training in Urban Administration

Objective To provide elected and appointed officials of urban government, education and training in matters of administration, finance and management.

Eligibility All elected and appointed officials of urban government.

Assistance Seminars dealing with both specific and broad aspects of urban administration are conducted periodically in several locations throughout the province. The seminars are scheduled to be of timely interest to participants.

Various guides and manuals on urban administration are prepared, updated and distributed to all urban municipalities.

Information and guidance is provided on request to municipal officials and taxpayers on administrative matters such as the role of council, powers of the municipality, legislation, etc.

Contact Municipal Advisory Services
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2680

Industrial Towns Assistance

Objective To provide assistance to certain municipalities to help deal with the impacts resulting from major industrial or resource development within or adjacent to the municipality.

Eligibility Towns and villages.

Assistance Towns and villages may receive grant or loan assistance relating to projects considered necessary to overcome the impacts associated with industrial development.

It is important to note that the municipality must first apply for and obtain "industrial town" status before any assistance will be considered. Any such application should be in the form of a letter or brief indicating factors such as:

- type of industry or development and when it will begin construction/operation;
- number of new, permanent employees expected to take up residence in the community;
- capacity of existing basic services such as water, sewer, hospitals and schools;
- current financial status of the community especially in terms of debt load and use of normally available government programs;
- estimate of future needs related to the industry

and estimated costs of services required to accommodate the influx of new population;

• other items relevant to the particular community.

Once a community has gained industrial town status, the nature and amount of financial assistance is determined on a case-by-case basis.

Contact Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2665

Intermunicipal Fire Protection Program

Objective To encourage the improvement of fire protection services in the province, particularly in rural areas and smaller communities.

To promote inter-municipal co-operation in the area of fire protection services.

Eligibility Any municipality that enters into a written agreement with one or more municipalities to provide fire protection services on a joint basis.

Assistance Funding is through revenue sharing. An annual grant of $1 per capita, based on the 1981 federal census, up to a maximum of $10,000 will be paid to each municipality. Grants may be used for capital or maintenance and operating expenses for fire protection services. The grant is paid on a calendar year basis and applications should be submitted prior to December 31st.

Contact Manager of Inter-Municipal Programs
Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2662/55

Intermunicipal Recreation Program

Objective To promote intermunicipal co-operation in recreation, particularly in sharing the operating and maintenance costs of facilities.

Eligibility Any rural municipality entering into a written agreement with one or more municipalities to share operating and maintenance costs of recreation facilities. Recreation facilities are defined, in a broad sense, to include facilities for sports, arts, culture and leisure time activities. The program does not apply to recreation facilities funded by other government agencies

Assistance Funding is through revenue sharing. A maximum grant of $1 per capita and a basic grant of $100 will be paid annually to each municipality in the program. Each rural municipality must at least match the eligible grant payable on a dollar-for-dollar basis. The grant is paid on a calendar year basis and applications should be submitted prior to December 31st.

Contact Manager of Intermunicipal Programs,
Municipal Finance Branch,
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs,
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2662/55

Municipal Capital Program

Objective To assist urban municipalities financially with the capital cost of acquisition or construction of capital works, and to stimulate long term capital planning.

Eligibility Cities, towns, villages and resort villages.

Assistance <u>For Towns and Villages</u>

• per capita grant of $25 annually for six years, with a minimum level of funding of $10,000 over six years, and based on the 1986 and 1991 census populations,

• one or more years' funding may be drawn down at one time,

• 70 per cent provincial cost sharing and up to 80 per cent for projects that match provincial priorities (eg. water and sewer infrastructure, intermunicipal projects, projects that support welfare reform initiatives),

• stacking of grants will be permitted up to 80 per cent of the project's capital cost,

• eligible projects will be those undertaken between April 1, 1989 and December 31, 1994,

• allocations unspent at the end of six years, will be held in reserve for use in the next three years.

<u>For Cities with a Population Less than 100,000</u>

• per capita grant of $25 annually for six years, based on agreements negotiated between the province and each city and based on 1986 and 1991 census figures,

• 40 per cent provincial cost sharing unless otherwise negotiated,

• eligible projects will be those undertaken between April 1, 1989 and December 31, 1994.

<u>For Regina and Saskatoon</u>

• an annual capital grant of $1.5 million for six years,

• eligible projects will be those undertaken between April 1, 1989 and December 31, 1994.

Contact Manager of the Municipal Capital Program
Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2662

Municipal Transit Assistance Program

Objective To provide financial assistance to cities and towns for urban transit.

Eligibility Cities and towns for operation of urban transit systems. Purchase of vehicles and transit-related construction does not qualify for funding.

Assistance Per capita grant for all transit systems in operation, of $4 per capita for Regina, Saskatoon, Moose Jaw and Prince Albert, and $3 per capita for other participating municipalities.

Contact Manager of Transit Assistance
Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone:787-2662

Northern Capital Grants Program

Objective To assist northern municipalities with the acquisition or construction of capital works or the purchase of equipment and to encourage longer term capital works planning.

Eligibility Northern villages, northern hamlets, northern settlements and towns located in the Northern Administration District that submit a copy of an updated five year capital works program.

Assistance The program is a five year program from January 1 1988 to December 31, 1992. Over the entire term of the program, northern municipalities are eligible to receive $250 per capita. Grants may cover up to 90 per cent of the northern municipality's cost of a specific project. On projects where additional assistance is received from other provincial programs, total provincial funding, including Northern Capital Grants, cannot exceed 90 per cent of the northern municipality's project costs.

Staff of the Northern Municipal Services Branch will, at the request of the municipality, assist in the preparation of grant applications and the terms of reference for study, design and engineering services; participate in the Local Steering Committee for the project and assist in the resolution of claims or disputes associated with the project.

Contact Northern Municipal Services
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
Box 5000
LA RONGE, S0J 1L0
Phone:425-4320 Toll-free - 1-800-772-4068

Provincial Municipal Revenue Sharing - Urban

Introduction

Revenue sharing is an arrangement under which the provincial government transfers a part of its revenues to municipalities on a consistent basis from year to year.

Revenue sharing supplements the property tax, provides municipalities with another major revenue source, and strengthens local government autonomy. Most of the urban revenue sharing funds are paid out unconditionally.

How Revenue Sharing Works

The first step is to determine the revenue sharing "pool". Separate pools are determined for urban municipalities as a group and rural municipalities as a group.Once the initial size of the two pools has been determined, adjustments to the size of the pools may be made annually by the provincial government. The adjusted amount will be paid to the municipalities each year. The monies are distributed to urban municipalities based on the following formulae:

Unconditional

The unconditional revenue sharing grant consists of the following: the basic grant, per capita grant and a foundation grant.

1.Basic Grant

Every municipality receives a basic grant of considerable importance to very small communities. In 1989 the basic grant is as follows:

Population	Grant
0 - 149	$2,700
150 - 299	$3,300
300 - 499	$3,700
500 - 3,999	$3,500
4,000 +	$3,100

2.Per Capita Grant - $51.34 per resident based on the 1986 federal census, adjusted annually by applying the percentage change in Health Insurance Registration figures for each community, where available, to the 1986 census to derive an adjusted population figure.

3.Foundation Grant - takes in account the relative ability of individual municipalities to finance an average level of services. A community with a relatively low local tax base will tend to get a larger grant than a comparable community with a relatively high local tax base.

4. For 1989-90, all communities are guaranteed that they will not receive a decrease of greater than five per cent in funding over 1988.

The precise calculation of these grants is defined each year

by regulations under **The Municipal Revenue Sharing Act.**

Contact Manager of Revenue Sharing
Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2895

Provincial-Municipal Revenue Sharing - Northern

Objective To provide financial assistance toward the operations of northern municipalities.

Eligibility Northern villages, northern hamlets, northern settlements and towns situated in the Northern Administration District.

Assistance In 1989-90, a total of $5.7 million will be provided to northern municipalities on the following basis:

Per capita Grants
Towns $53.55 per capita
Northern villages $48.30 per capita
Northern Hamlets and
Northern Settlements $43.05 per capita

The per capita grant is calculated with an additional "northern factor" taken into account.

Foundation Grant - water and sewer maintenance - if a community has water & sewer - $18,000 basic grant plus incremental funding. If community does not have water & sewer - $6,000 basic grant plus incremental funding.

Equalization Grant:

Based on a formula using an average level of service compared to the revenue base of the municipality, the grant provides additional funding to municipalities allowing them to provide an average level of service to their residents.

Contact Northern Municipal Services Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
Box 5000
LA RONGE, S0J 1L0
Phone: 425-4320 Toll-free - 1-800-772-4068

Small Community Downtown Development Studies Program

Objective To foster growth in small communities by providing financial assistance in identifying and analyzing downtown development potential.

Eligibility Urban municipalities of less than 5,000 population.

Assistance Urban Affairs will share 50 per cent (to a maximum of $15,000) of the cost of carrying out a downtown feasibility study. A project work plan must first be approved by the department.

Contact Municipal Finance Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2665

Tree Distribution

Objective To provide trees and shrubs to Saskatchewan communities.

Eligibility Urban and rural municipalities and non-profit organizations.

Assistance The PFRA Tree Nursery provides trees free of charge (except for delivery costs) to municipalities for parks, playgrounds, water storage and lagoon facilities, public buildings, hospitals, cemeteries, schools and similar uses.

All applications must specify the exact planting locations, certify that the plants will not be moved, sold or given to another party, and authorize PFRA staff to inspect the planted trees at any reasonable time.

Distribution is made on a first-come, first served basis from stocks remaining after the rural farmstead and shelterbelt requests have been filled. Where a species is unavailable, the nursery makes the best substitution possible.

Applications for plantings on municipal or other public properties must be approved by Saskatchewan Urban Affairs.

NOTE: regarding applicants for trees for farmsteads and farm shelterbelts, owners should apply directly to the PFRA Tree Nursery, Indian Head, Saskatchewan.

Contact Community Planning Services Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2689

Urban Planning Grant Program

Objective To assist and encourage small urban municipalities to prepare formal plans and to guide and manage their social economic and physical development.

Eligibility All urban municipalities under 20,000 population.

Assistance Saskatchewan Urban Affairs will provide grants on a per capita basis for the preparation of community development plans, basic planning statements and zoning bylaws under **The Planning and Development Act**.

Municipalities are eligible for grants based on their population according to the following:

Municipal Population	Per Capita Grant
0 - 999	$3
1,000 - 4,999	$2.50
5,000 - 19,999	$2

The maximum grant will not exceed 50 per cent of the cost of preparing the plans.

Contact Community Planning Services Branch
Saskatchewan Urban Affairs
2151 Scarth St.
REGINA, S4P 3V7
Phone: 787-2168

Saskatchewan Water Corporation

Operations Division-Regional offices

Head Office
4th Flr, Victoria Place
111 Fairford St. E.
MOOSE JAW, Sask.
S6H 7X9
Phone: 694-3900

Southeast Region
Weyburn Square,
110 Souris Ave.
WEYBURN, Sask.
S4H 2Z9
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350 Cheadle St. W.,
SWIFT CURRENT, Sask.
S9H 4G3
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2nd Flr, Victoria Place
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Channel Clearing Assistance for Rural Municipalities

Objective To assist rural municipalities that may wish to undertake:

1. Natural channel clearing and obstruction removal.

2. Maintenance of existing drainage ditches that are the responsibility of the municipality.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance 1. Engineering and Technical:

Engineering and technical services will be provided by the corporation.

2. Financial:

Financial assistance will be provided up to 66 2/3 per cent of the project costs. Items eligible for assistance are:

- brush clearing and disposal,
- obstruction removal and disposal,
- silt bar removal,
- silt removal to originally-constructed gradelines.

3. Conditions

a) Approvals for assistance must be obtained from the corporation before the work is undertaken.

b) The municipality must submit an application outlining the project proposal, land locations, widths of clearing and the proposed expenditure.

c) Work must be sanctioned by the Saskatchewan Wetlands Committee before it proceeds. Municipalities are requested to avoid destruction of valuable wildlife habitat. Applications should be submitted with sufficient lead time to permit inspections and review by the committee and corporation staff.

d) Structure improvements, channel cutoffs or earthwork, other than removal of silt, will not be considered under this program.

e) Assistance under this program will be subject to availability of staff and funds.

Contact Applications should be made to the nearest corporation regional office.

Community Well Assistance

Objective To offer financial and technical assistance to rural municipalities for the drilling and development of community wells.

Eligibility Rural municipalities.

Assistance Payment to a rural municipality (RM) of 50 per cent of the costs incurred in drilling and bringing into production wells for community use, including:

a) Engineering of hydrogeological consulting services subject to prior approval of project proposal by the corporation.

b) Test drilling and geophysical logging to the base of groundwater exploration or such lesser depth as may be approved by the corporation.

c) Cost of drilling or boring the well to the appropriate depth as determined by the test drilling.

d) Cost of testing and development of well.

e) Cost of purchasing and installing casing, well screen, pump and power unit and electric power where necessary.

f) Cost of well house and site grading and where necessary because of low production, cost of installing storage facilities.

Please Note: a) Grants are not available for the purchase of existing facilities.

b) Cost of land and access roads are not eligible for assistance.

Procedure:

In order to qualify for assistance under this program, a municipality is required to:

a) Submit a written application for approval to its regional corporation office, including the engineering proposal, or stating the land location for drilling and the name of the driller to be employed.

b) Make all arrangements for and provide supervision of the construction of the project.

c) Arrange for ownership of long-term easement privileges on the well site.

d) Advise the corporation when the project is completed so that inspection can be arranged. The inspecting officer will supply the RM Secretary with expenditure claim forms.

e) Submit a detailed expenditure statement, duly certified by statutory declaration, to the regional corporation office, or to the head office, applying for a reimbursement of 50 per cent of the cost incurred.

Conditions:

a) Water must be made available to a minimum of five households for each project.

b) A municipality must assume continued responsibility for construction, operation and maintenance of the project.

c) A municipality should not make application for assistance on behalf of an individual farmer.

d) Financial assistance from all sources will not exceed 50 per cent of project cost.

e) Financial and technical assistance under this program will be subject to availability of funds and staff.

Contact For more information or application forms, contact one of the regional offices.

Construction and Operation of Water Supply Projects

Objective To develop and operate multi-purpose water supply projects to service municipal, agricultural, industrial, recreational and/or wildlife conservation requirements in designated areas.

Assistance The Corporation constructs and operates projects. The costs of construction and operation are recovered through water charges to customers.

Municipalities may be eligible for grants from the Municipal Water Assistance Program, to 40 per cent of projects.

Municipalities can approach the corporation with their problems and proposals and proceed with projects it considers economically viable.

Contact Water Supply Utility
Saskatchewan Water Corporation
P.O. Box 310
411 Main St.
WATROUS, S0K 4T0

Farm Dugout Pumping Assistance

Objective To make corporation-owned equipment available for emergency pumping to fill dugouts and other small water reservoirs.

Eligibility Farmers, rural municipalities and small urban communities.

Assistance General

1. Applications should be submitted before September 15 in the year of the proposed pumping.

2. Equipment to be supplied by Saskatchewan Water Corporation includes:

- power take-off pumps,
- aluminum pipe (30 to 40 ft. lengths),
- pipe trailers.

3. Headquarters for repair and storage of all equipment will be the corporation repair depot in Moose Jaw. Temporary regional storage depots will be located in various centres.

4. Cost of moving equipment from Moose Jaw to the regional depots or between regions will be borne by the corporation.

5. Responsibility and cost of moving equipment from the regional depot to the pumping site shall be borne fully by the user.

6. The last user in the district is responsible for returning equipment to the regional depot.

Supervision

1. Location and scheduling of equipment will be

the responsibility of the regional pump co-ordinator.

2. Phone-in technical services will be provided on request by the regional pump co-ordinator.

3. Close liaison will be maintained with the local agricultural representative.

Conditions

1. Pumping to two dugouts in close proximity located in one farm site will constitute one job.

2. Users will be fully responsible for costs and labour involved in assembly and disassembly of equipment.

3. If available, additional equipment may be rented for jobs requiring more than two miles of pipe and/or more than one pump.

4. Those using the additional equipment will be responsible for obtaining and returning same to point of origin plus payment of rental charges.

Rental Structure

Rental rates quoted are for pumping from one source to one dugout using one pump unit.

Rate Schedule (for farm or individual pumping)

• Up to one mile of pipe	$225/day
• additional mile of pipe	$110/day
• pumping in excess of 24 hrs per dugout (up to one mile)	$50/day or part thereof
• pumping in excess of 24 hrs per dugout (additional mile)	$20/day or part thereof

1. Rates charged to municipalities for rental of equipment are slightly higher than those charged to individuals.

2. Estimates for rental charges for additional equipment may be obtained by contacting the corporation.

3. Users retaining equipment beyond a reasonable period of time will be assessed a charge of $75 per trailer load of pipe per day or part thereof.

4. Full payment in the form of a cheque or money order payable to the Saskatchewan Water Corp. must be forwarded with the application.

5. In the event of cancellation of application, all prepayments will be fully refunded.

Contact Applications for assistance should be made to the nearest corporation regional office

Flood Control Assistance for Urban Centres

Objective To assist urban centres to alleviate flooding caused by flood water entering from outside the limits and passing through the urban centre.

Eligibility Cities, towns, villages and, in the case of hamlets, rural municipalities.

Assistance Engineering and Technical:

Engineering and technical services will be provided for projects which apply under the terms of this program:

a) to hamlets and villages for investigative surveys and studies required to determine project feasibility, acceptances and approvals,

b) to all urban centres for preparation of plans for construction purposes, construction surveys and engineering supervision,

c) for the operation and maintenance.

Financial Assistance for Construction:

The corporation will provide financial assistance on the shareable costs for construction items based on the following formulas:

a) Basic assistance for all projects - 50 per cent,

b) The basic assistance shall be increased by the ratio of rural drainage area minus the urban drainage area to the total area contributing, multiplied by the percentage increase calculated in c),

c) The calculation for percentage increase based on population is:

Population	Percentage Increase
up to 1,000	40 per cent
1,000 - 61,000	40 - 25 per cent
over 61,000	25 per cent

Financial assistance will not be provided for a project on which the cost of shareable construction items would be less than an amount equal to the value of drainage areas calculated in b) is a minus quality.

The shareable cost for project development shall be the cost of shareable items as defined by the corporation, less the value of four mills as calculated above.

Fifty per cent financial assistance will be provided for the cost of right-of-way purchases and easements, land appraisal fees, and legal surveys.

Financial Assistance for Maintenance

The corporation will provide:

a) up to 66 2/3 per cent of the cost of maintenance work carried out by the municipality on the project works,

b) the maintenance phase of a project shall begin when the construction of works or portions thereof has been substantially completed.

Contact Applications for assistance should be made to the nearest corporation regional office.

Irrigation Water Supply Development Assistance

Objective To help groups of farmers and ranchers diversify and stabilize their enterprises through development of irrigation water supplies.

Eligibility Any three or more individual farmers or ranchers, as defined by Saskatchewan Agriculture and Food, forming a group as a water users' association, irrigation district or other organization recognized by the corporation.

Assistance 1. Engineering and Technical:

a) Engineering and agrologic services for investigational purposes.

b) Technical services for the organization and administration of a water users' association or other acceptable organization.

c) Engineering and technical services for the construction and first year of operation of an irrigation project.

2. Financial:

a) 100 per cent of the actual cost of reservoirs, headworks and supply systems.

b) 100 per cent of the cost of the first year of operation and maintenance approved by the corporation.

3. Conditions:

a) A project must be considered feasible by the corporation with respect to costs, water supply and soil suitability before full investigation and financial assistance is made available.

b) A commitment fee of $3 per acre of land to be irrigated must accompany any application.

c) Farmers will be required to form a water users' association or other similar organization prior to full investigation and development.

d) The association will be required to enter an agreement with the corporation in order to assure responsibility for operation and maintenance of projects.

e) Engineering and technical services, financial assistance and/or construction of any project will be subject to the availability of funds and staff.

Contact Applications for assistance should be made to the nearest corporation regional office.

Municipal Water Assistance

Objective To provide assistance for water and sewage projects.

Eligibility Towns, villages and rural municipalities respecting hamlets.

Assistance Assistance is provided to:

1. Promote and assist with research related to water and sewage systems; and

2. Provide financial assistance for:

a) Installation of waterworks and sewage works (capital portion),

b) Improvements of a capital nature to water supply systems, water treatment or storage facilities, sewage treatment facilities and sewage effluent disposal systems.

Grants Available:

Grant assistance will be determined by adding the following indices and payment is based on actual project costs:

a) Population Index:

- below 50 ..... 15 per cent
- 500 - 2,500 ..... 10 per cent
- 2,500 - 5,000 ..... 5 per cent

b) Growth Index:

- 1% or more per year ..... 10 per cent
- less than 1% per year ..... 5 per cent
- 0 or negative ..... 0 per cent

c) Cost Index: per capita cost

- greater than $600 ..... 15 per cent
- $301 - $600 ..... 10 per cent
- $100 - $300 ..... 5 per cent
- less than $100 ..... 0 per cent

The community will be responsible for the first $20 per capita of project costs to a maximum of $10,000. Grants will be determined on project costs less this deductible amount.

Note: Where grants are made towards eligible projects, such grants shall be reduced by any grant or forgiveness from any senior government or agency (except grants from Saskatchewan Urban Affairs under the capital program).

Contact Any regional office.

Northern Municipal Operation and Training Assistance

Objective To provide operation assistance and operator training for municipal water and sewer systems in northern municipalities located within the Northern Administration District.

Eligibility Northern municipalities.

Assistance Operation assistance and operator training will be provided for municipal water and sewer systems in northern municipalities.

Contact Northern Operation Branch
Saskatchewan Water Corporation
McIntosh Mall, 800 Central Ave.
PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Northern Municipal Water Assistance

Objective To provide assistance towards expansion or replacement of existing water and sewer facilities.

Eligibility Northern communities.

Assistance Grants of up to 79 per cent are provided towards improvement or replacement of capital water and sewer facilities.

Contact Northern Operation Branch
Saskatchewan Water Corporation
McIntosh Mall, 800 Central Ave.
PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Northern New Facilities Assistance

Objective To provide water and sewer systems in northern communities that do not currently have systems.

Eligibility Northern communities.

Assistance The program provides for 100 per cent funding of works by Sask. Water. Eligible costs include design and construction of water and sewage works.

Contact Northern Operations Branch
Saskatchewan Water Corporation
McIntosh Mall, 800 Central Ave.
PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Water and Sewer Technical Assistance

Objective To assist small communities with the technical aspects of planning, designing, constructing, altering and operating water and sewer works.

Eligibility Municipalities with less than 1,500 population.

Assistance Sask. Water will provide technical assistance on a cost recovery basis. In those cases where the work involved would be eligible for grant assistance under the Municipal Water Assistance Program, the cost recovery will be adjusted to reflect the eligible grant sharing.

All major work will be undertaken through consultants, with Sask. Water providing input through one of two methods:

1. Sask. Water will engage the consultant and supervise the work; or

2. Sask. Water will help the community determine the terms of reference and select a consultant.

Contact Regional Offices, or:
Northern Operations Branch
McIntosh Mall, 800 Central Ave.
PRINCE ALBERT, S6V 6G1

Water Control Assistance

Objective To alleviate flooding and drainage problems associated with agricultural lands and to advance soil and water conservation through locally sponsored and co-ordinated programs.

Eligibility 1. Conservation and Development Areas.

2. Local governments, associations and agencies organized as watershed associations.

3. Local governments and similar incorporated bodies with respect to lake stabilization projects.

Assistance 1. Services provided:

a) Investigative services and studies of water control projects.

b) Technical services toward organizing and administering conservation and development areas and watershed associations.

c) Engineering and technical services for the projects and for the operation and maintenance of water control projects.

2. Financial Assistance for Project Construction:

Cost sharing between conservation and development area authorities, watershed associations boards or local governments, and the corporation.

Type of Project	Sask Water Share	Local Share
Flood control & drainage	up to 66 2/3%	remainder
Backflood irrigation	up to 85%	remainder
Multi-purpose	negotiable	negotiable
Lake stabilization	up to 50%	remainder

3. Financial Assistance for Maintenance:

The corporation will pay up to 66 2/3 per cent of the cost of maintenance conducted by local authorities.

1. Where, in the opinion of the corporation, works already constructed are not being maintained adequately, the corporation may refuse to provide to provide cost sharing and services for

the construction of additional works.

2. Where, in the opinion of the corporation, projects costs are considered to be too high in relation to the benefits, engineering services may be withdrawn and financial assistance not made available.

3. Engineering and technical services, and financial assistance for project construction or maintenance, will be subject to the availability of funds and staff. The corporation reserves the right to establish priorities for providing such services and assistance.

4. The operation and maintenance phase of a project shall begin when the construction of the works or portions thereof described in the construction plans has been substantially completed.

5. Under this program, backflood irrigation is considered to be works constructed to supply water to lands that are not normally subject to periodic flooding.

6. Groups of farmers wishing drainage and/or flood control projects should contact the nearest Sask Water regional office.

Contact Applications should be made to the nearest regional office.

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